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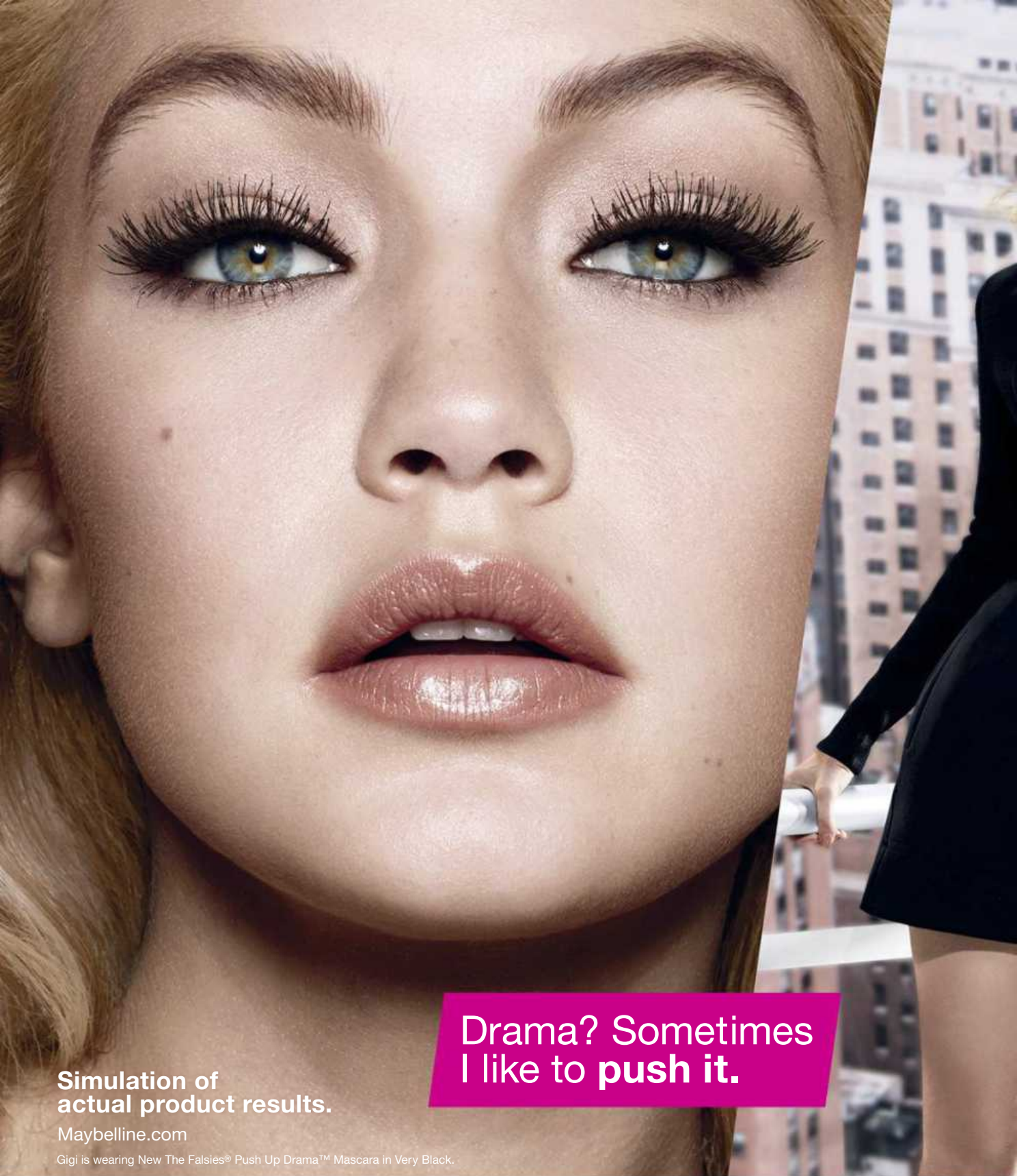


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FINDING HER WAY

Bella opens up about her ride into adulthood.



Top right: Bella scrolling through photos with hairstylist Chris McMillan. Bottom right: The actress with *Seventeen* staffers and the photo-shoot crew.

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BEHIND THE SCENES WITH BELLA THORNE

• Barbie Girl

The actress arrived to the Malibu, California, set wearing a Barbie-themed shorts-and-hoodie set from Wildfox. We were #obsessed.

• Too Cool

The temperature at the shoot hit 100 degrees, so the crew had to cool down the photographer's camera and computer with ice packs! But the heat didn't bother Florida native

Bella, who even insisted on wearing a jacket for a few shots because she loved how it looked.

• Party Goals

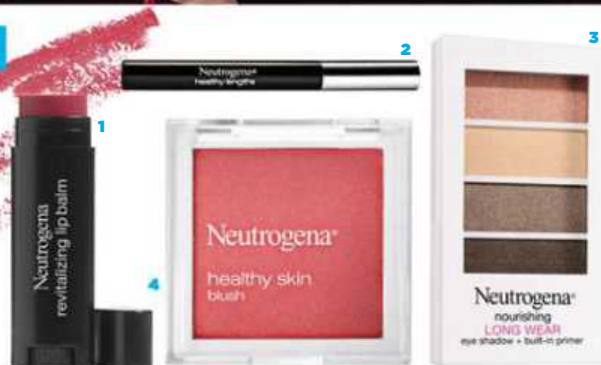
Bella was in a bubbly mood all day, gushing about how excited she was to turn 18! She consulted with the crew about her party plans and told us that she wanted to shut down Six Flags Magic Mountain for her and her friends—which she ended up doing!



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ON BELLA: (newsstand cover) dress, alice + olivia by Stacey Bendet; gold and silver bracelets (left hand), Iwona Ludvga; red bracelet (worn throughout), Bella's own; gold bracelets (right hand, worn throughout), Bella's own Cartier; rings (left hand, middle finger), Nina York Jewellery; (pointer finger) THP; (right hand, pointer and middle fingers) Nina York Jewellery; (middle finger, thin rings and stackable rings) THP; (subscriber cover) coat, Coach; top, Baja East; hat, Albertus Swanepoel; necklace, Walt Cassidy Studio.

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What if you could **be on the cover of *Seventeen***? Or have the chance to **meet First Lady Michelle Obama at the White House**? All of that really *could* happen.

Mrs. Obama recently launched Better Make Room (bettermakeroom.org), a government campaign to empower teens across America to dream big, share their ambitions, and help them pursue a higher education. **"We're going to lift up their stories and give these young people the attention they deserve,"** said Mrs. Obama.

To help do that, *Seventeen* has created the **#BetterMakeRoom** essay contest. Two lucky readers will appear on the cover of our May issue and may even get the opportunity to chat with Mrs. Obama for a feature story! How do you enter for a chance to win? If you're age 14 to 20, we want you to write 500 words about your goals and how you're making them a reality. Tell us **how you are overcoming obstacles** (or already have!) to secure a spot at your dream college; **how you are building your voice** for a cause you care about; and **how you plan on making room for others** to join you on your journey.

Aside from offering cool prizes, this contest will showcase how **your perseverance can unlock your potential**. For inspiration, just check out the cool girls (starting on page 102) who broke into STEM fields and found careers designing high-tech fashion or creating wands at the Wizarding World of Harry Potter (aka my *other* dream job). Or find out how cover girl Bella Thorne struggled through dyslexia and is now the author of, not one, but two books (page 82)! So what's *your* life goal? We're making room in *Seventeen* for you to tell the world!



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Go to seventeen.com/bettermakeroom to learn more and to enter our contest. You have until January 5, 2016!

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Loved seeing Tyler & Zoe on the cover of *Seventeen*! Obsessed with them both. I'm so pumped they were featured together! #17

@grimauxcord

I'm really glad @seventeen is addressing LGBT issues, feminism, and self-love in almost every issue. It makes me so happy inside!

@5sauce_yay

The October 2015 issue is by far my favorite! The article 'I Dated a Bisexual Guy' was awesome!

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@amanda_bancala

I was so excited to see tips from @makeupbymario in #seventeenmag! He is the reason I got into makeup. His looks are gorgeous! #myidol #flawless



@bookaholis

I was uber happy to see @blueeyedbiblio in the October issue of *Seventeen* Magazine!



@nicoledarrah

@seventeen I loved @gracehelbig's advice about holding on to what's special about yourself, even if it bothers someone else. 🙌





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Troye Sivan

The YouTube and self-described "brooding electro-pop" artist, 20, drops his first full-length album, *Blue Neighbourhood*, on December 4.

Your song "The Fault in Our Stars" earned you a lot of fans—the video for it has over six million views! What made you write it? I felt so much when I read John Green's book, so I felt compelled to write a song about it—intended just for myself. Then I decided to do a quick music video at my local children's hospital for my YouTube channel, and it kind of blew up. I've been singing since I was really young, but that's when my record company found me and signed me!

Speaking of YouTube, please discuss your bromance with Tyler Oakley.

Ty and I are great friends. He's someone who paid attention to me when I was first making videos. Slowly we started hanging out and became really, really close. Now we're always bouncing ideas off each other.

What made you decide to make the powerful "Blue Neighbourhood" video series with three songs off your EP *Wild*?

I was looking back at the songs and I realized it was a potential story line that could incorporate a million little messages that I find important. For example, in the first one, I wanted to show the innocence and naiveté in gay kids before they realize that anyone would have an issue with them liking who they like.

Aside from music, what else are you into?

I've recently found out I'm quite interested in fashion. It was something I was scared of growing up. I was already a little bit different, and I felt that people would call me gay if I was, you know, wearing fashionable clothes. But now that I've come out, I realize you can be straight and love fashion or you can be gay and hate fashion. If you feel good in what you're wearing, that's all that matters.

—HEATHER VIGGIANI

HIS OWN FANBOY

"A lot of times, we are doing things to please other people," says the South African. "But when you do something for just yourself, the passion is even stronger."

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DECEMBER 3

Watch Shanice Williams ease on down the road on NBC's *The Wiz Live*!



DECEMBER 13

It's time to party like it's 1989! Taylor Swift is turning 26.



JANUARY 1

New year, new name, same shows (phew). ABC Family is now Freeform.



JANUARY 8

Bring on the bath bombs! It's *National Bubble Bath Day*.



JANUARY 15

Binge alert! *Degrassi: Next Class* streams new episodes on Netflix.

Can't Get Enough Of...

ALESSIA CARA

Her debut album, *Know-It-All*, is finally out. Now it's time to know more about the 19-year-old "Here" singer.

Dream duet?

It changes all the time, but at the moment, Ed Sheeran would be amazing.

Musical influence?

Amy Winehouse. Her music was so honest, and I think her vibe and her songs are similar to mine.

Funniest YouTuber?

Jenna Marbles. But she also has a whole serious side that people don't know!

TV show you need to catch up on?

American Horror Story because Lady Gaga is on it this season.

Best app?

Instagram! I love taking pictures.

First concert?

Justin Bieber. He's awesome, and his music is amazing.

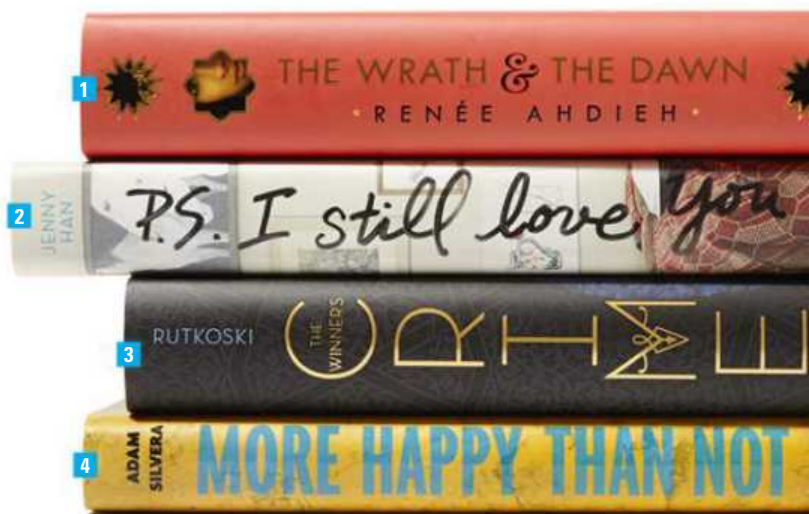
Fave holiday?

Christmas just gives me this happy feeling that I don't get from the other holidays.

—JEN ABIDOR

Best Books of 2015

Four BookTubers round up their faves of the year. Read on!



1 The Wrath & the Dawn by Renée Ahdieh

This is a tantalizing story of dangerous love set in a fantastical Middle Eastern world. I love the strong, bold female character, Shazi, and the epic romance she falls into. This is unforgettable and will keep you reading late into the night.

—Kassidy Voinche, @KassidyVoinche

2 P.S. I Still Love You by Jenny Han

The sequel to *To All the Boys I've Loved Before* is so adorable! It follows Lara Jean, a teen girl trying to navigate her way through the drama of high school and boys. The story is so relatable because Lara Jean experiences a lot of firsts, including love.

—Regan Perusse, @PeruseProject

3 The Winner's Crime by Marie Rutkoski

The Winner's Crime is the second book in a trilogy, and it surpassed my expectations—I never stopped holding my breath between chapters. If you love suspense, romance, and the complexity of royal families, you should definitely pick up this series.

—Kristina Horner, @ITalkToSnakes

4 More Happy Than Not by Adam Silvera

This debut deals with many topics, such as race, class, and mental health, yet it never feels over-the-top. It will have you curled up on the couch for hours, anxiously flipping the pages until you reach the climax, which turns everything you thought you knew on its head.

—Raeleen Lemay, @padfootandprongs07

PARANORMAL ACTIVITIES

Demons, aliens, and capes? Yes, please! Start off the New Year with one (or all) of these sci-fi must-sees.



Shadowhunters

In this adaptation of the book series *The Mortal Instruments*, Katherine McNamara stars as a girl who discovers she's actually a demon hunter. Tune in to Freeform on January 12.



The 5th Wave

Looking for the next *Hunger Games*? Try this alien flick (out January 15) starring Chloë Grace Moretz and hot newcomer Alex Roe. "It will have you at the edge of your seat," Alex says.



Legends of Tomorrow

The CW's superhero world just keeps getting bigger. If you love *Arrow* and *The Flash*, you won't want to miss this new spin-off featuring some of your favorite heroes and villains. (Early 2016.)



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Seventeen is proud to be part of the team behind *Project Runway Junior*—a new reality

1. MATT

AGE: 18
HOMETOWN: Manhattan Beach, CA
IG: @mattsarafa
DESIGN STYLE: "Avant-garde/street."
DREAM CLIENT: Lady Gaga
BIGGEST LESSON: "I'm a perfectionist, but I've learned how to go with the flow. Things don't always pan out the way you think they will!"
EARLY DESIGN: "I made a dress for my mom when I was 9. It was very Elsa from *Frozen*."

2. ZACH

AGE: 16
HOMETOWN: Louisville, KY
IG: @_zachj
DESIGN STYLE: "Sophisticated glamour."
DREAM CLIENT: Beyoncé
BEST TEACHERS: "Several of my family members were seamstresses—and my mom is a textile artist."
INSPIRATION: "Nature. I'll see the way a river splits and that translates to a zippered white skirt."

3. VICTORIA

AGE: 17
HOMETOWN: Cleveland, OH
IG: @viccohe
DESIGN STYLE: "Modern, edgy, and sporty street style."
DREAM CLIENT: Lorde
STAR MOMENT: "My designs were featured at Cleveland Fashion Week last year."
ATTITUDE: "I love the 'I don't give a . . . ' mentality of the punk movement. They wore whatever they wanted."

4. MAYA

AGE: 14
HOMETOWN: Maumee, OH
IG: @maya_r_ramirez
DESIGN STYLE: "Edgy with a feminine side."
DREAM CLIENT: Katie Holmes
EARLY DESIGN: "A really strange green one-shoulder top that I insisted on wearing for fourth-grade picture day."
BEST LESSON: "Impress yourself first before everyone else. If you're happy with what you're doing, it will show."

5. YSABEL

AGE: 17
HOMETOWN: Artesia, CA
IG: @atlofysabel
DESIGN STYLE: "Ever changing! Mostly street chic."
DREAM CLIENT: Zendaya
SEWING START: "I used YouTube to teach myself how to sew. I've never taken a class!"
ON HER BIZ: "I started a T-shirt line called Along the Lines with a classmate, and we sold online internationally for two years! It was so rad."

6. SAMI

AGE: 17
HOMETOWN: Westlake Village, CA
IG: @samijohnson98
DESIGN STYLE: "Elegant and fierce."
DREAM CLIENT: Beyoncé
EARLIEST FASHION MEMORY: "Fashion is my first memory! I've been checking out my mom's outfits since I can remember."
OTHER HOBBY: "I'm a dancer! I love to make costumes for me and my friends."



FUTURE OF FASHION

competition starring these 12 insanely talented teens. Get to know them! **by HEATHER VIGGIANI**

7. JAXSON

AGE: 16
HOMETOWN: Minneapolis, KS
IG: @jwmdesigns
DESIGN STYLE: "Glamour with a 'don't mess' vibe."
DREAM CLIENT: Jennifer Lawrence
ON FILMING IN NYC: "I'm from a tiny farm town, so flying in and seeing the skyline was so exciting."
FASHION INTRO: "When I was 9, I discovered *Project Runway* on TV and I've been obsessed ever since."

8. JESSE

AGE: 17
HOMETOWN: Swampscott, MA
IG: @hansenjesse
DESIGN STYLE: "Dressed-up and clean."
DREAM CLIENT: Michelle Obama
MENTOR: "My dad. He used to be a stylist and he'd bring me to fashion events. I was instantly hooked."
PINCH-ME MOMENT: "Seeing Tim Gunn the first time. It literally took my breath away!"

9. BRIDGET

AGE: 16
HOMETOWN: Brockton, MA
IG: @bridgetaustinw
DESIGN STYLE: "Drag-queen chic."
DREAM CLIENT: Gwen Stefani
HOW THE SHOW HAS CHANGED HER: "You can't text and sew when there's a clock running, so I've figured out how to really, really focus."
WORK ANTHEM: "Anything by the band The Neighbourhood."

10. PEYTIE

AGE: 15
HOMETOWN: Carlsbad, CA
IG: @peytie_slater
DESIGN STYLE: "Culturally inspired."
DREAM CLIENT: Gigi Hadid
ON COMPETITION: "All of us are so different, so at one point I wondered, Should I change to fit in? Nope!"
GOALS: "I want to keep growing my line, True Violette—that is, in between surf sessions!"

11. SAMANTHA

AGE: 17
HOMETOWN: Queens, NY
IG: @svmvnthac
DESIGN STYLE: "Menswear-inspired."
DREAM CLIENT: Pharrell Williams
CAREER INSPRO: "That's So Raven was my fave show when I was little, and I realized I wanted to make clothes just like Raven did!"
BEST CRITICS: "I post my designs on Insta to get a feel for what my friends think of them."

12. ZACHARY

AGE: 16
HOMETOWN: Berkeley, CA
IG: @zacharyfashions
DESIGN STYLE: "The darker side of elegance."
DREAM CLIENT: Kendall Jenner
EARLY DESIGNS: "I started making tote bags for my family when I was 6."
INSPIRATION: "You never know where your next creative concept will come from. I once made a garment based on DNA molecules!"



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◀ **If You're a Pretty Little Liar**
Throw back to season one with the exact customizable bracelets your fave Liars wore. Bracelets, \$36 each, pllbracelets.com



If You Love Mean Girls
Regina wouldn't approve, but these popcorn-flavored jelly beans are so fetch. Mean Girls jelly beans, \$6, dylanscandybar.com



If You're Obsessed With Star Wars
Think of this scarf as your line of defense against the chill as you leave the midnight screening of *The Force Awakens*. Star Wars Scarf, \$15, hottopic.com

▶ **If You're a Swiftie**
Play copycat to Tay's Meredith necklace. No matter whose picture you use, it never goes out of style! Eve's Addiction Gold Plated Round Tag Photo Pendant, \$29, evesaddiction.com

If You Belong to the Bey Hive
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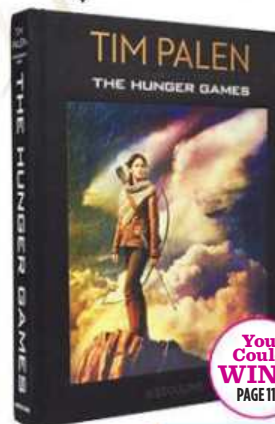


If You're an Arianator
Steal one of Ariana's cat-ear looks—she owns this headband! Lavender Floral Kitty Headband, \$18, bonjourlily.etsy.com

The TOTAL FANGIRL Gift Guide

Serious devotion deserves to be recognized! Reward yourself or a friend with something worthy of your die-hard status.

If You're a Tribute
The final *Hunger Games* film has arrived, but don't get your tears on this gorge behind-the-scenes book for the entire series. *The Hunger Games*, \$75, assouline.com



If You're a Motavator
Bethany's fragrance, with hints of maple syrup, smells as sweet as she is. Bethany Noel by Bethany Mota, \$25 for 1.7 oz., aeropostale.com



▲ **If You Live for Game of Thrones**
Winter is coming. And for your nearest and dearest, so are these Jon Snow cards. Tay Ham Jon Snow greeting cards, \$30 for six, americandesignclub.com



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If You're a Katycat
This Katy Perry-designed onesie, which features Left Shark and a slice of pizza, is like an explosion of all things amazing. Katy Perry x Beloved, \$130, belovedshirts.com/katyperry

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 "You have to have a beginning, a middle, and an end."

How I Became "The Funny Girl"

Lele Pons, 19, takes a little more than six seconds to share her journey from high school prankster to one of the most-looped Vine stars in the world.
As told to JEN ABIDOR



Social Cues

How Lele decides what (and when!) to post on each of her social media accounts.



Her Personal App

"Here's where you'll find pictures of my life in the moment, like me in bed, or quotes about what I'm thinking. My app is where I can say whatever I really feel, and fans can ask me questions."



Instagram

"I mostly post pictures to promote stuff or photos of me that I think are pretty. Just one a day."



Snapchat

"On Snapchat, I share whatever interesting thing is happening. It's more for me and my friends—I play around with *them* here and not as much with my fans."



Vine

"I usually post a Vine every single day. It comes very naturally to me and I know my audience so well that I get the ideas very quickly."



Twitter

"I'll post something that's not too private. Let's say I just posted a Vine—I would put that on Twitter."

My Life Before Vine

Growing up, I was always the joker of my group. I would do funny and dangerous stuff for a laugh, but deep down it was more about wanting people to like me. Even though I had friends, people bullied me and made me feel like I was ugly. (I wore braces on my teeth, and the only people who ever told me I was pretty were my mom and dad.) I felt really bad, so I decided to pull pranks and be "The Funny Girl" because at least that was something I could have. When I got my braces off, I began to feel pretty and stopped caring about what other people thought.

How Videos Changed Everything

My best friend introduced me to Vine, and making videos became a hobby. Soon, I was posting little skits because I was trying to get on the Popular page. The day I made it, I got so many followers. Still, my success wasn't something that happened overnight—it happened over years. It didn't sink in until I had my first meetup. All these people filled the streets, and they freaked out when they saw me—so I was also freaking out! I thought to myself, Wow, all these people see my stuff and they're fans?!? That was the craziest moment for me.

My Surprising Inspiration

Because I'm funny, people don't realize that I'm not always happy. I have low self-esteem, and I've

suffered from depression. But I turn everything into humor *because* of that. If I'm feeling really sad about something—like a breakup, or a guy rejecting me—I make a video that makes fun of what happened. My videos are basically my journal.

My Creative Circle

I like to include as many people as I can in my Vines because it's fun to work with others. My best friends Vale and Nana are in a lot of them, and I even film my mom. I also live in the same building as a lot of other Viners in Los Angeles, so I can wake up and find another person who can help me create a project. At the beginning, it took me four to six hours to make a single Vine, but now I have it down to an hour and a half. I never plan ahead of time—the ideas always come to me the day that I shoot them. That said, sometimes I feel pressure to perform. If I haven't posted for a few days, I know I have to create something really good for my fans.

My Best Advice

I think everything happens for a reason. I wasn't going to be a Viner, but I entered the app at the right moment and got where I am today. To be successful, you have to be yourself—nobody has done what *you* would do because nobody else is you. If you don't succeed, try again and again. You're going to fall down, but get back up. Do whatever makes you happy and believe in yourself.



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I decided to just face my fears. Being able to show more skin in my video was a breakthrough for me, for sure.

What's different about your upcoming album, *Confident*?

I've never been more sure of whom I am as an artist. I really channeled the direction and vision that I had into what I wanted for this album. It truly is a far more "confident" album.

With all of your success, is there an accomplishment that you're especially proud of?

I started my own charity called "Lovato Treatment Scholarship Program." The most rewarding and satisfying feeling is when you're able to give back. Helping others struggle with mental health and addiction issues is truly important to me.

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MODEL MOMENT

Name: Clare Cirillo

Instagram: @clarecirillo

Off-camera hobby:

"I love to work on my fashion blog, wheninmanhattan.com, whether I'm posting my latest #OOTD or looking through magazines and Pinterest for inspiration!"

DESIGNER MOMENT

Label: Preen Line

Instagram: @Preenline

The scoop: Kiernan Shipka is a fan of luxe British brand Preen by Thornton Bregazzi.

Their second line, with its carefree vibe, means there's even more to love.

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DRESS AND HOODED SWEATSHIRT Preen Line, matchesfashion.com. **RINGS** (left hand) Sarah Magid Jewelry, sarahmagid.com; (right hand) Stanmore, stanmorenyc.com. **SHOES** Preen by Thornton Bregazzi, preenbythorntonbregazzi.com.

Styled by Adam Mansuroglu

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MOMENTS

(From left)

Name: Caroline Grillo
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Always in her bag:
"Smith's Rosebud salve.
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Macedonia, OH
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Palermo, \$58,
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net-a-porter.com

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boohoo.com

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JACKET
Express, \$148, Express stores

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shopbop.com

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Jacobs, Nordstrom

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\$128, bcbg.com

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—Erin, 19, Textiles and Fashion Design major



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Flutter-Sleeve Top

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Myrtlewood, \$40, modcloth.com

Fit-and-Flare Dress

"This silhouette is a one-piece wonder—it's a zip-up-and-go option that either creates an hourglass or complements one! It's from ASOS—I sometimes go to their site just to get #OOTD ideas."

ASOS Curve, \$110, asos.com



Pencil Skirt

"Flaunt your shape in a body-con midi! Find one with spandex for a smooth look. And check out Missguided's site for endless night-out inspo."

Missguided, \$40, missguidedus.com



Moto Jacket

"It is always in style and adds edge. A slightly snug fit keeps it girly. Forever 21 has great basics like this, plus I can find hot shoes in wider widths there!"

Forever 21, \$38, forever21.com

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BY MADDY ZOLLO

Sugar Rush

The name says it all: *Bonbon* means “candy” in French. With its sweet caramel aroma, this smells so yummy, you’ll wish you could eat it!

YOUR GOAL: LAND THAT CRUSH

Attract your potential bae with a dessert-inspired blend. Notes of vanilla, caramel, musk, or amber will not only spark visions of the two of you grabbing fro-yo after school, but it will also make you feel flirtier than usual, says Drom Fragrances perfumer Caroline Ivanica.

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Dark Angel
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victoriasecret.com

2 L'ANCÔME

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\$80 for 1.7 oz.,
lancome-usa.com

3 REVLON

Love Is On
Eau de Toilette, \$35
for 1.7 oz., revlon.com

4 RIRI BY RIHANNA

Eau de Parfum,
\$60 for 3.4 oz.,
macys.com

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3 NICKI MINAJ The PinkPrint Eau de Parfum, \$39.50 for 1 oz., kohls.com

Take a Bite

This apple-shaped bottle is inspired by NYC—let it encourage you to explore new places.

YOUR GOAL: BE A SOCIAL BUTTERFLY

Whether you're running for class president or hoping to expand your squad, you want something that gives off a friendly vibe without being overpowering, says Ivanica. So reach for a juicy floral—a scent spiked with fruit and flowers is a total crowd-pleaser.



Touch of Class

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YOUR GOAL: TAKE CHARGE

Attention, ladies who want to land an after-school job, get into their dream college, or simply grow up a little: It's time to experiment with a sophisticated spritz. For total bo\$\$ status, try something woody (like sandalwood) or earthy (like vetiver, an Indian grass).

1 BURBERRY My Burberry Eau de Parfum Festive Edition, \$125 for 3 oz., burberry.com

2 CLINIQUE Aromatics in Black, \$58 for 1.7 oz., clinique.com

3 DIOR J'Adore Touche de Parfum, \$92 for 0.7 oz., dior.com

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YOUR GOAL: FEEL MORE POSITIVE

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1 CHANEL Chance Eau Vive Eau de Toilette, \$97 for 3.4 oz., chanel.com

2 CALVIN KLEIN Eternity Now Eau de Parfum, \$82 for 3.4 oz., macys.com

3 GUESS Dare Eau de Toilette, \$52 for 1.7 oz., guess.com

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Study Buddy

This classic scent smells like a Mediterranean vacay—it'll make finishing your homework a little more enjoyable.

1 DOLCE & GABBANA Light Blue Eau de Toilette, \$96 for 3.4 oz., saks.com

2 FRESH Hesperides Grapefruit Eau de Parfum, \$88 for 3.4 oz., fresh.com

3 MARC JACOBS Daisy Dream Forever Eau de Parfum, \$88 for 1.7 oz., sephora.com

YOUR GOAL: STAY FOCUSED

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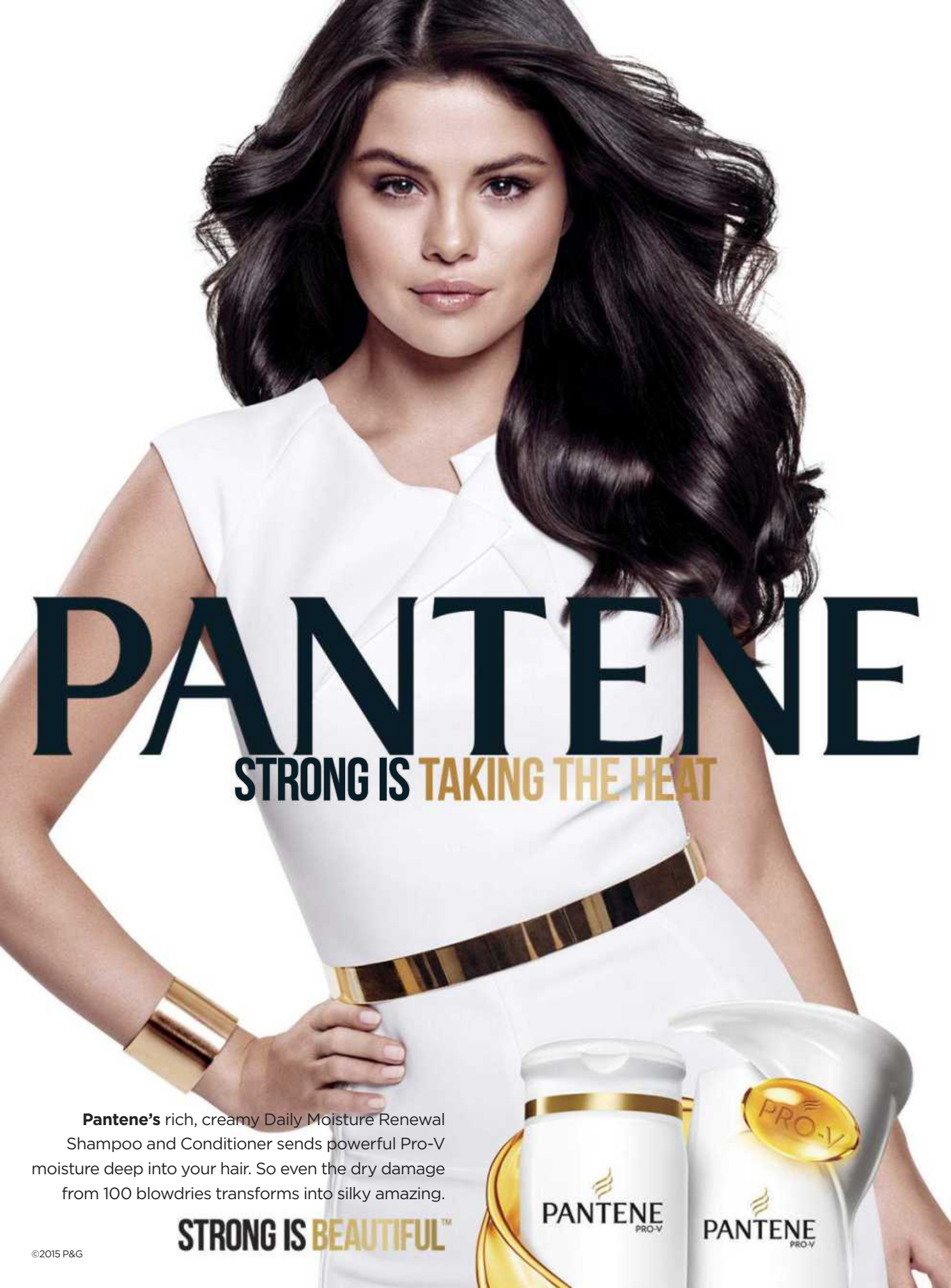
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1/FIT YOUR STRIP

Hold the lash bands up to your eyes. Too long? Use manicure scissors to carefully trim their outer edges.

2/GET GLUING

Squeeze a thin line of lash glue onto the eyelash band, then wait 30 seconds while it gets tacky. I use black adhesive (like Kiss Black Lash Adhesive, \$4, Walgreens stores) to match my fakes.

3/APPLY LIKE A PRO

Press the middle of the lash strip to the center of your top lashline, then move to the edges.

4/COVER YOUR TRACKS

Black liquid liner (like CoverGirl Intensify Me! Liquid Eyeliner by LashBlast, \$9, drugstores) and mascara (like CoverGirl The Super Sizer Mascara by LashBlast, \$7, drugstores) help falsies blend with your real lashes.

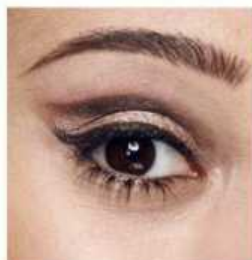


Trend I ♥ Stacked Strips

My YouTuber secret: Layer two sets of lashes for extra oomph, or pick up prestacked ones.

Pair it with: bold liner and a natural-looking pink on cheeks and lips to keep attention on your eyes.

ARDELL Double Up Lashes in #207 Black, \$8, Sally Beauty Supply stores



Trend I ♥ Bottom Lashes

This '60s look is back—and these falsies (shorter and sparser than normal fakes) make the TB easy. Tip: Layer them *under* your real lashes, not on top.

Pair it with: mod black shadow in your creases.



NARS Eyelashes in Numéro 8, \$20, narscosmetics.com



Trend I ♥ Individual Clusters

These are great for a subtle look. Squeeze a small blob of glue on the back of your hand, then dip the end of a lash in the glue and press it to your lashline. If your lash set has various lengths, wear the longest ones at your outer corners.

Pair it with: brown shadow and liner for a natural vibe.

BENEFIT Going Solo Lash, \$15, benefitcosmetics.com



Trend I ♥ Glitter Accents

Flashy lashes are amazing, but all that glitz can make them heavy and harder to apply. It always helps when I look down into a mirror while I rest my elbows on a flat surface.

Pair it with: neutral eyeshadow and black liner to make the lashes the look's focus.



URBAN DECAY Perversion False Lashes in Glitter Dip, \$15, ulta.com

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“I Was Jealous Of My ‘PERFECT’ SISTER”

Loni

When it comes to sister envy, the struggle is real. Growing up, **Loni & Dina** were jealous of each other's looks, but together they learned that being comfy in your own skin is all that matters.

BY LONI VENTI & DINA ALBERT

Loni:

My awkward stage hit its peak when I was in middle school.

I had cowlicked bangs that winged out like a handlebar mustache, perma-chapped lips, curves I wasn't comfortable with, and a dozen stubborn zits. I spent a lot of time in my room, blasting No Doubt to drown out my angst.

At that same time, my younger sister, Dina, went straight from adorable little kid to mega-hottie preteen practically overnight. She was tall like a model and nailed the look everyone in our neighborhood wanted: perfect curls and clear golden skin. She got attention everywhere we went.

Family vacations were the worst. She'd strut around in a teeny bikini as I hid under an umbrella wearing a T-shirt over my one-piece to hide my shape. I'd roll my eyes at her skimpy suits and make judgy comments, projecting my insecurities onto her. Dina was a 24-7 reminder of the things I hated about myself. And what made it harder is that I couldn't just go home after school and forget about how flawless she was—the prettiest, most popular girl lived with me.

I wanted her perfect looks and her perfect life. Every day I wished I'd wake up looking more like her.

Then in 10th grade, I transferred to an arts-focused high school to study music. It was my dream. I made new friends who were really creative and made me feel comfortable experimenting with my clothes, makeup, and hair color. For the first time, I was happy just being me. I stopped apologizing for my flaws and started flaunting my strengths, like my lips (enter my signature red shade!), plus I learned to see my sister for more than just her looks.

Today, Dina is as gorgeous as ever. And to be honest, there are still times when I feel a pang of jealousy over what a babe she is. But I know now I have a lot to bring to the table, too. Few girls know their way around a liquid liner like I do! I've realized that having my “perfect” little sister sitting next to me doesn't make me any less fab—it just makes everything more fun.





Loni (left, at age 17) and Dina (age 12) at home in Staten Island, NY.

Dina

Dina:

I'm flattered Loni thought I was perfect, but I never felt that

way. Growing up, I was a full head taller than everyone my age—boys included—and my curls required a bucket of gel to prevent frizzing.

At school I was “popular,” but I felt like a character who had to maintain unrealistic expectations. If I had acne, everyone noticed. When I didn’t feel like getting dressed up, people would ask if I was “sick or something.”

And FYI, I envied Loni and thought *she* was beautiful! She has long shiny hair and amazing green eyes. I never understood why she was so hard on herself because I didn’t see any of the “flaws” that she saw. Worst of all, no matter how many times I said her eyes or lips were pretty, nothing made it better. I think it made it worse, and that really sucked.

When she started wearing punky clothes and red lipstick, I admired her. She was cool in a different way than the girls who lived near us. I loved seeing her so confident.

One night, after eating a gallon of cookie dough and watching *Mean Girls* (twice!), we confessed we’d been jealous of each other all along. She’d hinted at it for a while, but hearing her say it and actually discussing our feelings was a huge relief. And now when we start to wish we had each other’s assets, we talk about it and laugh it off. I may never have her perfect red lips, and she may never have my beach confidence, but we’ll always have each other. ●

Photograph by **Aaron Richter**

FASHION EDITOR: ADAM MANSUROGLU, HAIR: CESAR RAMIREZ, GLOBAL ARTISTIC DIRECTOR FOR MIZANI, MAKEUP: TINA TURNBOW USING DIORSKIN NUDE.

1

Topknot + Choker

The trick to making your neck look gorgeously long: Twist strands into a high bun and then pop on a thin choker. Give the look a boho touch by pulling out a few wispy pieces along your hairline, says Scunci stylist Laura Polko.



2

Half-Up Pony + Long Earrings

Love wearing your hair down but hate how danglers get tangled in it? Go halvesies! Pro tip: Get the pony high on your crown by tilting your head back while you pull it up, says Polko.



COOL Hair+ COMBOS Jewelry

Turn up your look with one of these eye-catching pairings.

BY MADDY ZOLLO



4

Updo + Pretty Clasp

Don't hide a statement-making detail behind your hair. Instead, spritz strands with texture spray (try Garnier Fructis De-Constructed Texture Tease, \$4.50, drugstores), then make two ponytails side by side. Braid them, twist into a mega-bun, and pin.

3

Side Braid + Ear Cuff

Show off an ear party by rocking an edgy Dutch braid (an inside-out French) down one side of your head. Wave the loose locks with a curling wand and set with lightweight hairspray (try Pantene Pro-V Style Series Airspray, \$7, drugstores).



PHOTOS: AARON RICHTER. FASHION EDITOR: ADAM MANUSURUGLU. HAIR: LAURA POLKO USING SCUNCI AT CROSSBY CARTER MANAGEMENT. MAKEUP: MARINI BURTON USING DORSHOW. MANICURE: MISS POP USING CHANELLE VERNIS. ON MODEL: (LOOK 1) TOP: THE KOOPLES; EARRINGS: STELLA & BOW; NECKLACE: LYDELL (SIMILAR STYLES); (LOOK 2) TOP: PARKER; EARRINGS: LEELE SADDUGH; (LOOK 3) BLAZER: BANANA REPUBLIC; STANMIDDE; (POINTING FINGER) LULU'S; (LOOK 4) EARRINGS: MEADOW LARK; NECKLACE: CLAIRE'S.



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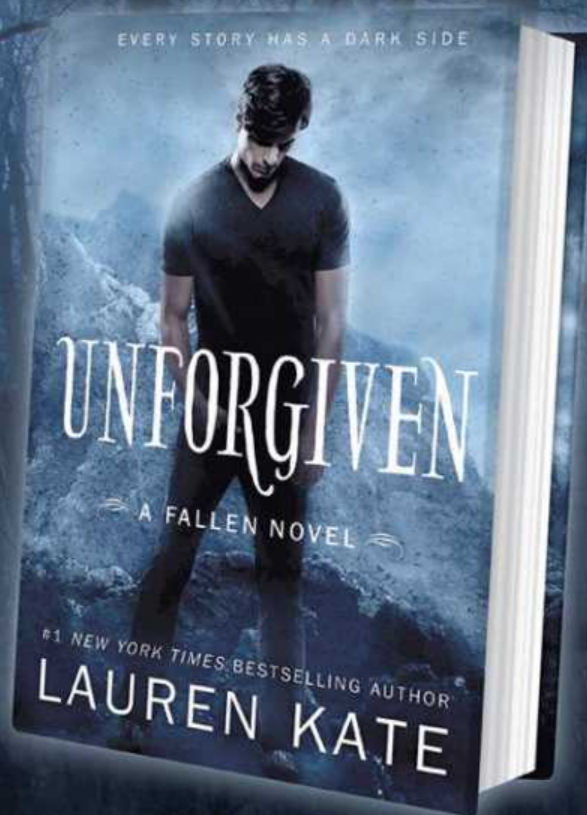
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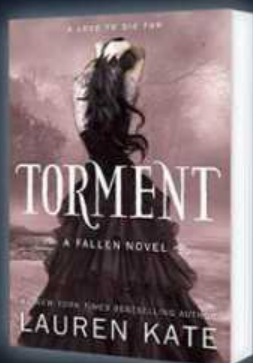
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FACE TIME

find your BEST MASK

Take your complexion to #nomakeup selfie level with one of these superstar skin products.

BY MADDY ZOLLO

If Your Skin Is... Dull

Get an ultra-luminous finish—no strobing required!—by reaching for a mask with licorice extract. It's packed with antioxidants that help even out skin tone. Plus it gives you a lit-from-within glow you can't fake with a highlighter (or filter).

CLINIQUE Even Better Brightening Moisture Mask, \$36, clinique.com

If Your Skin Is... Normal

Algae is your bae. It soothes, moisturizes, and brightens, says dermatologist Jeannette Graf, M.D. Apply it like a fancy Hollywood facialist by using a fan brush—it feels awesome, your hands won't get messy, and you won't waste precious product.

FRESH Rose Face Mask, \$62, fresh.com
SONIA KASHUK Duo Fibre Fan Brush, \$8, target.com

First, Prep!
Get all the benefits from your mask by starting out with a clean face. Massage an exfoliating scrub over skin for 30 seconds to get rid of dirt, says celeb skin expert Renée Rouleau.
CLEAN & CLEAR Morning Burst Skin Brightening Facial Scrub, \$5.50, Walmart stores

Bella Hadid (right)



If Your Skin Is... Acne-Prone

The secret to getting your pimples to peace out: a charcoal mask like Bioré's (below). It draws out the gunk in your pores that can lead to pesky flare-ups. If shine is your enemy, go for one with oil-controlling salicylic acid, says Graf. (We like Neutrogena's Blackhead Eliminating Cleanser/Mask, \$8, drugstores.)

Bioré Self Heating One Minute Mask, \$8 for four, drugstores

If Your Skin Is... Combo

Sometimes your face has split personalities (think: your forehead is greasy while your chin is mega-dry). Multi-masking to the rescue! Attack your issues by using different formulas on your face at once. Try a kit like Boscia's so you can play instant mix master.

BOSCIA The Art of Multi-Masking, \$42, boscia.com

If Your Skin Is... Dry

Not only is a sheet mask great for selfies (this cute leopard print = Insta gold), but it's also perfect for dehydrated skin because it locks in moisture. Look for ones infused with hyaluronic acid, which is a super-hydrator.

PATCHOLOGY Leopard Hydrate FlashMasque, Printed Edition, \$30 for four, nordstrom.com



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HOW TO SURVIVE...

BREAKUP *season*

Bad news: The most popular month for splitting up is December, according to Facebook. Good news: Here's how to recover fabulously.

BY KATE FOSTER

PHASE 1

Embrace the Feels

Let's be real: The first few days after you part ways majorly suck. But don't hold in your tears. Crying helps you heal—and hiding the evidence for school is a cinch.



The bamboo extracts in this cooling eye stick minimize bags—and how could this cute panda not cheer you up?

TONY MOLY Panda's Dream So Cool Eye Stick, \$12, Sephora stores



Nix red eyes in seconds with a few drops of cooling anti-redness solution.

ROHTO Cool Eye Drops, \$6.50, drugstores



To neutralize any purple under-eye circles, layer a yellow-toned correcting concealer under one that matches your skin.

PHYSICIANS FORMULA Youthful Wear Youth-Boosting Dark Circle Corrector + Concealer, \$13, drugstores

PHASE 2

Focus on You

Soak in your new solo time by treating yourself to a spa night in. A little pampering will help you relax and take your mind off your heartache. Plus these treatments go well with Ben & Jerry's!



Soothe your bod with a muscle-relieving scrub—this one is loaded with calming scents.

BLISS Hot Salt Scrub, \$38, blissworld.com

Paint your nails a relaxing minty-blue shade for an insta pick-me-up whenever you're feeling down.

SALLY HANSEN Miracle Gel in Mintage, \$10, drugstores



Thoughts of your ex keeping you up? Spritz a chamomile-and-lavender pillow spray to help you sleep.

EARTH THERAPEUTICS Anti-Stress Pillow Mist, \$8, earththerapeutics.net

Spoil your strands, too. Coat hair in this deep hydrator for 10–15 minutes and then rinse for insane softness.

CLEAR SCALP & HAIR Intense Hydration Nourishing Daily Conditioner, \$6, drugstores

PHASE 3

Slay Your First Run-In

The holidays mean *lots* of parties, which could lead to ex sightings. Play up just your eyes, so you: a) look gorge but not desperate; and b) remind your former bae what they're missing.



Get a dramatic wide-eyed look that's perfect for lash-batting at a new crush.

MAYBELLINE NEW YORK The Falsies Push Up Drama Mascara, \$9.50, drugstores

Subtle smoky eyes plus shimmery cheekbones (this palette offers all the tools) look pretty without screaming "trying too hard."

BAREMINERALS The Regal Wardrobe, \$39, bareminerals.com

Glittery pink gloss makes your lips look oh-so kissable. Too bad for the ex!

CHANEL Glossimer in Rose de Lune, \$30, chanel.com



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pretty DIY PRESENTS

Give the gift of glam this year! These fun how-to's make it simple—and save you major cash.

BY KATE FOSTER

Kisses Wall Art

YOU'LL NEED

- a piece of paper
- various bright lipstick shades
- a picture frame

1. Apply one lipstick shade to your lips.
2. Kiss the piece of paper repeatedly.
3. Repeat with other bright lip colors until the page is full of kisses. Let it dry, and then insert into a picture frame.

Easy Tip

Use matte lipsticks—they're less likely to smudge.



Gem Soaps

(Makes 4-5)

YOU'LL NEED

- a package of clear glycerin soap base (available at craft stores)
- rectangular soap molds
- food coloring
- fragrance oil of your choice (try lavender, peppermint, or vanilla)

1. Cut the package of glycerin into small cubes.
2. Place the cubes into the soap molds and then microwave for 30 seconds or until fully melted.
3. Mix in drops of food coloring and fragrance oil until you like the soap's color and scent.
4. Set out to harden for at least an hour.
5. Gently pry soaps out of the molds with a butter knife. Then with a paring knife, carefully cut hard angles into their edges to create gemstone shapes. If you mess up, just microwave again and redo.

Easy Tip

Want a uniform look? Some craft stores sell gemstone-shaped molds!



Easy Tip

For bombs that look bakery-made, frost with a piping bag or a sandwich bag with a corner cut off.



Cupcake Bath Bombs

(Makes about 7)

YOU'LL NEED

For Bombs:

- 8 oz. baking soda
- 4 oz. citric acid (available at health-food stores)
- 4 oz. cornstarch
- 4 oz. Epsom salt
- 2½ tbsp. coconut oil
- ¾ tsp. water
- 2 tsp. vanilla extract
- 4 drops food coloring
- cupcake liners

For Frosting:

- 3 tbsp. meringue powder (available at craft stores)
- 6 tbsp. warm water
- 1 lb. powdered sugar
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- rainbow sprinkles

1. Mix together baking soda, citric acid, cornstarch, and Epsom salt in a glass bowl.
2. In a separate bowl, combine coconut oil (warm it up in the microwave so it's liquidy), water, vanilla extract, and food coloring.
3. Add the wet mixture to the dry ingredients one spoonful at a time (to minimize fizzing) until it feels like wet sand. You might not use all of the wet mixture—throw the remaining out.
4. Pack the mixture into cupcake-size balls, then place them in the liners and flatten the tops. Let them dry completely. (This will take a few hours.)
5. In another bowl, use an electric mixer on high to mix the meringue powder and water until frothy. Add powdered sugar and vanilla extract and beat until stiff.
6. Spread frosting on the bomb base. Finish with sprinkles; let dry.

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mostly A's:

Girly

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Furla, \$328 for bag and \$98 for pom-pom, furla.com

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Bebe, \$34, bebe.com

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Marc by Marc Jacobs, \$128, marcjacobs.com

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Starbucks, \$20, Starbucks stores

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CHI Ultra CHI Glitter Sweet Iron, \$90, ULTA stores

8 WATCH

Swatch, \$70, store.swatch.com

9 SLIPPER SOCKS

Juicy Couture, \$36, kohls.com

10 PAJAMA TOP & SHORTS

Minkpink, \$39 each, Nordstrom

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Wildfox Eau de Parfum, \$70 for 1.7 oz., nordstrom.com

12 SPEAKER CUBE

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Areaware, \$30, areaware.com

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D&B Cookie Dough Confections, \$40 for pack of four, cookieedonyc.com

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CUSTOMIZABLE LIP BALMS eos Smooth Sphere Lip Balms, \$10 for three, Target stores



TRAY Rosanna, \$14, rosannainc.com



CHOCOLATE BARS Magnolia Bakery, \$5 each, magnoliabakery.com



BATH WAND Lush Magic Wand Reusable Bubble Bar, \$10, lushusa.com

mostly B's: Sporty



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2 BOMBER Kit and Ace,
\$288, kitandace.com

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Performance, \$59,
amazon.com

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Pure Edition, \$399,
motorola.com

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New Balance, \$65,
newbalance.com

10 SPORTS BRA Under
Armour, \$30, ua.com

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GAME** Kikkerland, \$17,
kikkerland.com

12 SPEAKER Audiobots,
\$30, scratch-tracks
.com

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\$35, dickssporting
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gomacro.com/shop



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Proof PhD Dry Shampoo,
\$12, livingproof.com



POWER STRIP
Marshalls, \$8,
Marshalls stores



mostly C's:

Boho



1 NECKLACE Pandora Jewelry, \$155, estore-us.pandora.net

2 SWEATER Jessica Simpson Collection, \$79, jessicasimpson.com

3 MOCCASINS UGG Australia, \$120, uggaustralia.com

4 TEA-LIGHT HOLDER Z Gallerie, \$35, zgallerie.com

5 JACKET Miss Me, \$94, missme.com

6 SUNGLASSES Ray-Ban, \$300, sunglasshut.com

7 EARRINGS Global Goods Partners, \$50, globalgoodspartners.com

8 IPHONE CASE Sonix, \$35, shopsonix.com

9 NIGHTIE Aerie, \$40, aerie.com

10 DIY DREAM-CATCHER KIT MakersKit, \$18, makerskit.com

11 SCARF LA Hearts, \$20, pacsun.com

12 CROSS-BODY BAG Forever 21, \$28, forever21.com

13 SWEATER LEGGINGS American Eagle Outfitters, \$40, ae.com

14 EMBROIDERED POUF Dot & Bo, \$160, dotandbo.com

15 PALETTE Tarte Light of the Party Collector's Makeup Case, \$59, sephora.com

16 BOOTS Sorel, \$150, sorel.com

17 SOCKS Stance, \$22, stance.com

18 WATER BOTTLE Mara Hoffman x S'well, \$42, swellbottle.com

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ORNAMENT Target, \$3, target.com



CANDLES Paddywax Flower Market Mini Tins, \$5 each, paddywax.com



BARRETTES Sephora Collection Hair Barrettes, \$9 for two, sephora.com



LIP BALMS NPW London Sugar Skulls Lip Balm, \$4.50 each, itsugar.com

CANDY Seventeen IT'SUGAR Butterflies & Rainbows Tube, \$7, IT'SUGAR stores





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- 2 **SLEEP SHIRT** Wildfox, \$98, wildfox.com
- 3 **PALETTE** Laura Mercier Sleek & Chic Eye Colour Palette, \$55, lauramercier.com
- 4 **NAIL POLISH** NCLA Peppermint Crush Nail Lacquer, \$16, shopncla.com
- 5 **SNOWBALL-FIGHT KIT** Play Visions Toys, \$30, nordstrom.com
- 6 **HAT** Hilfiger Collection, \$130, Tommy Hilfiger store or call 212-223-1824 to order
- 7 **THERMOS** Madewell, \$30, madewell.com
- 8 **POUCH AND GOLD PINS** Stonely Clover Lane, \$65 for clutch and \$20 for each pin, stoneycloverlane.com
- 9 **LAPTOP** Microsoft Surface Pro 4, starts at \$899, microsoftstore.com

mostly D's:

Classic

- 10 **PURSE** Vera Bradley, \$58, Vera Bradley retail partners
- 11 **STATIONERY** Ancesserie "Texting" cards, \$20 for set of eight, ancesserie.com
- 12 **BOOTS** Sperry, \$120, zappos.com
- 13 **WATCH** Nixon, \$150, nixon.com
- 14 **BRALETTE & BOY SHORTS** Hanky Panky, \$48 for bralette and \$38 for boy shorts, hankypanky.com
- 15 **CLASSIC BOOKS SET** The Puffin in Bloom Collection, \$64 for set of four, amazon.com
- 16 **CANDY SET** Sugarfina, \$25, sugarfina.com
- 17 **KEY CHAIN** Moon and Lola, \$34, moonandlola.com
- 18 **PERFUME SET** Ralph Lauren Fragrances Purse Spray Coffret, \$50, Macy's



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Allspice Hand Wash Bauble,
\$15, moltonbrown.com

mostly E's:

Edgy



- 1 MASCARA Benefit They're Real! Limited Edition Swarovski Mascara, \$26, benefitcosmetics.com
- 2 CLUTCH DKNY, \$148, select DKNY stores
- 3 NEON PEACE SIGN The Oliver Gal Artist Co., \$275, olivergal.com
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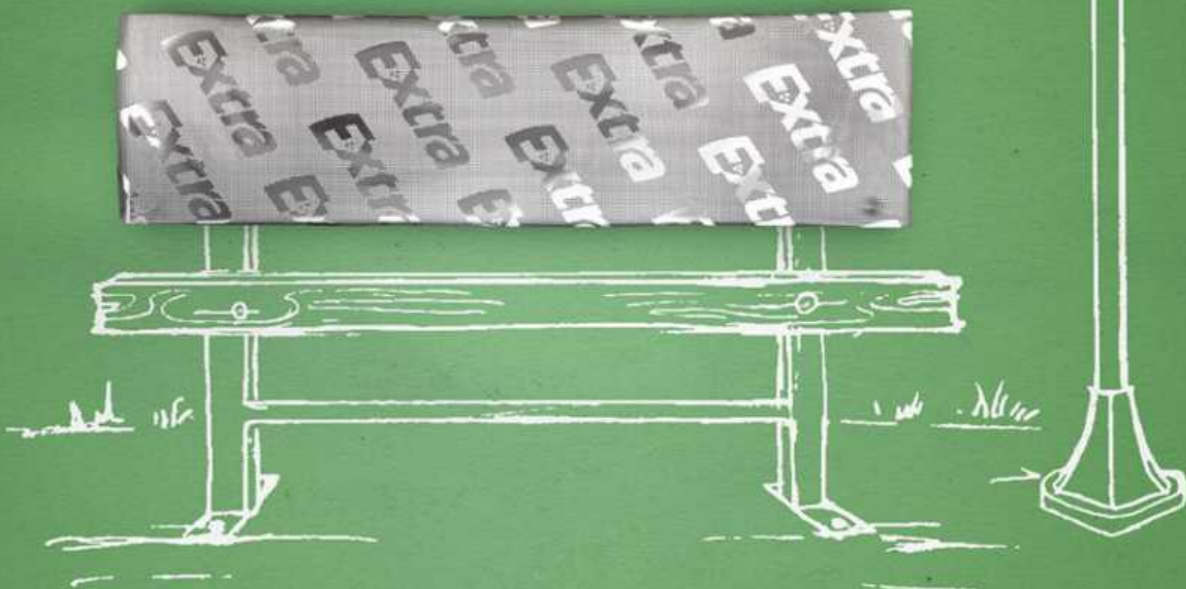


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by **ANDREA STANLEY**
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BOXING 101

Olivia (left) shares the basics you need to know before you get started.

• Your Dominant Foot

If you're right-handed, your right foot is your dominant one. If you're a lefty, it's your left foot.

• Fighting Stance

Position yourself with your legs shoulder-width apart, your nondominant foot staggered forward and your fists by your chin.

• Your Lead Arm

Think opposites here. If you're left-handed, your lead arm is your right arm. If you're a righty, it's your left arm.

• Punching Form

Make sure your arms aren't loose like spaghetti—every time you throw a punch, contract your muscles from your forearm to your shoulder.

POWER PLAY!

Hold two-pound weights (or a can of vegetables) during each of these moves for an extra challenge.

3. Hook + Lunge

WORKS YOUR: Butt and arms

WHAT TO DO:

Leading with your dominant foot, lower into a lunge (knees bent at a 90-degree angle and front knee over your ankle).

With your lead arm, punch as if punching around a barrel, keeping your arm positioned between your chest and chin. Return to standing. Do 20 reps.



CARDIO BURST Do one minute of high knees. Stand straight with feet hip-width apart and arms at your sides. Jump from one foot to the other as you lift your knees as high as they can go.

2. Upper Cut + Lean Back

WORKS YOUR: Abs and arms

WHAT TO DO: Begin in fighting stance. Lean back and put weight on your back foot, making sure your abs are engaged. With your lead arm, turn your palm inward, keeping your arm tight to your side and elbow pointed to the ground as you punch up (as if your hand is going through the middle of a cylinder); rock forward to your front foot as you punch. Do 20 reps; repeat on the other side.



4. Jab Cross

WORKS YOUR: Arms

WHAT TO DO:

Begin in fighting stance. With your lead fist, punch (known as a jab); when punching, rotate your fist at the end as if you're pouring a pitcher of water. Return to fighting stance. Punch again with your opposite fist (known as a cross). That's one rep. Do 20 reps.



ROUND TWO!

No one-hit wonders here! Repeat the entire series two more times for a complete workout!

5. Jab Cross + Squat

WORKS YOUR: Legs and arms

WHAT TO DO: Stand with feet a little wider than shoulder-width apart, fists below your chin. Drop down into a squat. (Send hips backward as you bend your knees as if you're about to sit in a chair; make sure your chest and shoulders stay upright.) Throw a jab, then a cross—just like step 4. Return to standing. Do 20 reps.

CARDIO BURST Do one minute of sit-ups. Lie on your back with knees bent, feet flat. Place your fingertips behind your ears. Engage your core and raise your body up toward your knees; shoulders should be lifted off the floor.

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by **ANDREA STANLEY**



“When are these things ever going to grow?”

Most girls will see some growth by the time they're 13. If you feel like a late bloomer, no matter what you've heard about quick tricks that promise bigger boobs—massaging them, lifting weights, eating sunflower seeds—they all fall flat. “There is absolutely nothing you can do to make your breasts grow faster,” says Carolyn Rogers-Vizena, M.D., at the Boston Children's Hospital Adolescent Breast Center. “It's determined by genetics.” But look at your (32A) cup as half full! The good news is your breasts continue to grow into your late teens and sometimes even into your twenties.

“Why is one breast bigger than the other?”

Just because they're a set doesn't mean they're a perfect match. “Everyone has small differences,” Dr. Rogers-Vizena says. “And during breast development, those differences can be as significant as one to two cup sizes. Your breasts just grow at different rates.” As you get older, they usually become more alike, but if it's really annoying you, buy a bra that fits the bigger one and use an insert to make them look more even.

“Why is there hair growing on my nipple?”

Knocker shocker: “It's normal, and most girls experience this,” Dr. Rogers-Vizena says. The same hormones that make the hair in your armpits and pubic area grow can also cause a few stray strands to pop up in awkward spots (#pubertyproblems). It's NBD, but if you want to get rid of the hair, it's fine to pluck it, Dr. Rogers-Vizena says. Hair-removal creams or waxing could cause irritation.

“I'm totally stressing over a lump. Do I have cancer?”

Don't freak out! “Cancer would be extraordinarily unusual,” Dr. Rogers-Vizena says. Only 7 percent of breast-cancer cases occur in women under 40. (For teens, that number is even lower.) Your lady lumps are actually

just that—really lumpy—because developing breasts consist of fibrous tissue that can feel uneven, Dr. Rogers-Vizena says. But if there's one spot that feels harder or different from the rest of your breast, get it checked by a doctor. Make your appointment for a few days postperiod, when breast tissue is smoothest, so it's easier to detect anything abnormal. And that cray rumor that bras cause cancer? File that under: Not True.

“What if my boobs are giving me back pain?”

Plan A: It's in your breast interest to be fitted for a bra by a professional to make sure you're wearing the right size and getting the support you need. Plan B: Add some abs exercises into your fitness routine. A strong core helps alleviate an achy back. If the pain isn't getting better, talk to your doc.

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ALL LIGHTS OUT!

Eighty-eight percent of teens view smoking as harmful (correct!), but one in four mistakenly believes that occasionally doing it is okay.

SMOKE ALARM

Ever heard that smoking only at parties, or lighting up a hookah or an e-cig, isn't real smoking? Well, it totally is—no ifs, ands, or butts. **by ANDREA BARTZ**

Tyra, 16, was a freshman when she tried her first e-cigarette. "My friend told me they were harmless—he thought they were just water vapor," says the Shiprock, New Mexico, teen. But when she got involved in an anti-tobacco campaign during her sophomore year, she learned that lighting up is never harmless. "Every instance of smoking is unhealthy," says Cara Natterson, M.D., a pediatrician in Los Angeles, California. Tyra says: "I was horrified at how oblivious I was." Before you pass the hookah, let's clear the air about these fads of the moment.

E-CIGS/VAPING

These little gadgets heat up e-juice (usually propylene glycol—the stuff in smoke machines—plus artificial flavors and nicotine), turning the liquid into an aerosol that you inhale. Because they don't burn, they're often touted as "healthier" than the alternatives.

Here's why that's BS: Tests have found the vapor from some e-cigs contains carcinogens and toxic chemicals, like formaldehyde (the stuff that soon-to-be-dissected frog in bio class is floating in!), according to the National Institutes of Health. Then there's the nicotine problem. "Nicotine is as addictive as heroin and cocaine, so quitting it is extremely challenging," says Robin Koval, CEO and president of Truth Initiative, a nonprofit dedicated to stopping teen smoking.

And using an e-cig is rarely a one-and-done deal. If you pick one up, you're eight times more likely to light up a regular cigarette. The bottom line: Even if it doesn't always puff, you should *still* pass.

FLAVORED CIGARS

Mini cigars can come in cute packaging and flavors (unicorn vomit = an actual available flavor). Here's what's not so cute: Their concentration of addictive nicotine and cancer-causing toxins can be even higher than that of cigarettes. And yet, new data show that 64 percent of middle and high school-age smokers have used a flavored cigar in the last month.

50%

of teens in college who start smoking socially are still lighting up four years later.

TRANSLATION:
It's a hard habit to break!

HOOKAH

Is hitting up a lounge your squad's new Saturday-night activity? You're not alone: Use of hookahs among middle and high schoolers doubled between 2013 and 2014.

But do you know how it really works? The bulb is filled with moist tobacco (also called *shisha*) and heated with charcoal in a bowl of water. When you suck on the hose, you're drawing in vaporized smoke. In other words: You're directly inhaling the fumes from a pile of tobacco. (That's #nofilter in the worst way possible.)

In fact, in a one-hour hookah session, you can inhale as much smoke as from 100 cigarettes. "Smoking it exposes you to many of the same cancer-causing agents as traditional cigarettes," Dr. Natterson says.

And like cigs, hookah tobacco contains nicotine, heavy metals, and cancer-causing compounds. Even if you're just hanging out while your besties suck on the pipe, you're subjecting your bod to harmful secondhand smoke.

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Give 'Em **What They Want**

You know quality time is on the top of every parent's (and grandparent's) wish list.

Try these readers' fun family traditions—no money required! **by HEATHER VIGGIANI**

1 HAVE A BAKE-OFF

Who gets to lick the spoon? That will be the big debate of the day. "My entire extended family does a cookie competition," says April, 16. "It's so fun." Try it: Divide your crew into two teams plus one judge (like Grandma!), pick recipes out of a hat, and take shifts in the kitchen. A good prize: getting out of dish duty!

2 EXCHANGE (RE)GIFTS

Shop your closet! "We do a 'white elephant' gift exchange with funny things we want to get rid of," says Kelsey, 21. (Finally, something to do with your Furby!) Put wrapped gifts in a pile, draw numbers to set a picking order, and then take a gift or snatch one that's already been picked. At the end, guess who brought what.

3 VOLUNTEER

Give back together and you'll totally bond in the process. "Every year, my family adopts a family in need through a local program. We make a care package with toys, cookies, and more!" says Riley, 19. Whether you work at a soup kitchen, deliver food to the elderly, or just go caroling, you'll get all the holiday-giving feels.

What You Should Buy FOR A GUY

Hunter Hayes to the rescue! The singer shares the secrets to (finally) getting the right gift for your dad, your boyfriend, and all the other boys in your life. **BY HEATHER VIGGIANI**

Hunter's HOLIDAY MEMORIES

What's the best fan gift you've ever received?

It's hard to pick one! Someone adopted a penguin on my behalf, and my fans have tracked down rare records for my vinyl collection. My fans are the best!

Ever written a song as a gift?

Yes, a few times. Quite a few times.

We need more details!

I don't want to say any names! But every now and then I think it's good to play something for my girl.

On to New Year's Eve. Any epic midnight smooches?

Maybe...

Will you please kiss and tell?

I will say this: It was a very chill night and we were just hanging out by the fireplace, watching movies. Very different from the years that I've performed.

And which do you prefer? Laid-back or party down?

I like both! Maybe this year I'll have to play a midnight set in one time zone and then travel quickly to another to have a relaxed countdown there.



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WHAT HE'S THINKING

WHEN YOU EXCHANGE GIFTS

Hot Guy Panelist **Jack Skuller, 19**, clues you in.

ON GIVING

"I go a little overboard rather than risk giving something small. A past girlfriend suggested we not make a big deal with Christmas gifts, so I agreed and got her something really small. And then she got me a microphone I'd always wanted. Not cool. Now I think really hard about her passions and how I can support them in some way. You can't go wrong with that!"

ON GETTING

"I'm like a kid—if there is something in front of me that I get to rip open, I'm happy. But I get a little self-conscious about showing a reaction right in front of a girl. I'm really laid-back, so I worry that she'll think I'm not excited about my gift. But I always am because it really is the thought that counts."



“My Best Friend BROKE UP WITH ME”

The worst breakup of my life wasn't with a guy—it was with my bestie of five years, after I had betrayed her trust. **by BRITTANY BURKE**

My most vivid memory of senior year of high school isn't dancing with my boyfriend under a canopy of white roses at the winter dance or listening to the roar of the audience during a standing ovation for the spring musical. It's sitting on the curb outside a pizza place on a Friday night in January, clutching my cell phone to my ear as my best friend told me never to talk to her again. Ever. Then she hung up.

Liza* and I had been best friends since we met in seventh-grade math. I made an excuse to call her on the second night of class to ask her about an assignment. The call was quick but did what I hoped it would do: It put me on her radar and made us friends. We quickly moved from saying, “Hey, what's up?” in the hallway to being the kind of friends who had giggly phone calls after our parents had gone to bed.

Liza and I joined the field hockey team together, and in between hours at practice, team dinners, and Saturday-morning bus trips to away games, she became something I'd never had before: a true best friend. We spent countless nights writing our inside jokes all over her bedroom walls. (Her parents were the coolest.) During the summers, I spent long weekends at her beach house, where we'd bake cookies, jump off rocks into the ocean, and stay up late lying in the grass.

But on that Friday night as I sat crying on the curb, it almost felt as if those things had never happened. The reason she never wanted to speak to me again was because I'd spilled a secret she told me about her boyfriend—something he'd told her in confidence. The person I'd told said something about the secret to Liza's boyfriend. He was so upset

and yelled at Liza. She knew I was the leak. I apologized for breaking her trust, but that wasn't enough. Apparently her relationship with her boyfriend was more important than the one she had with me.

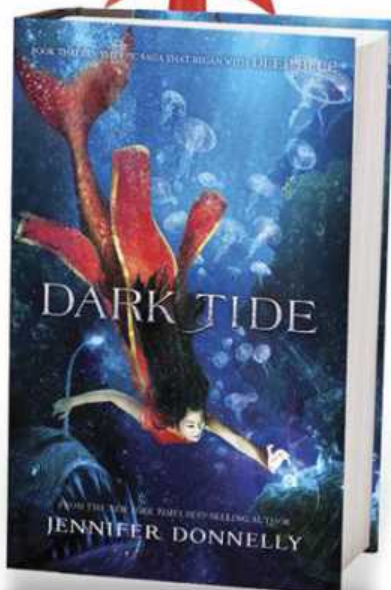
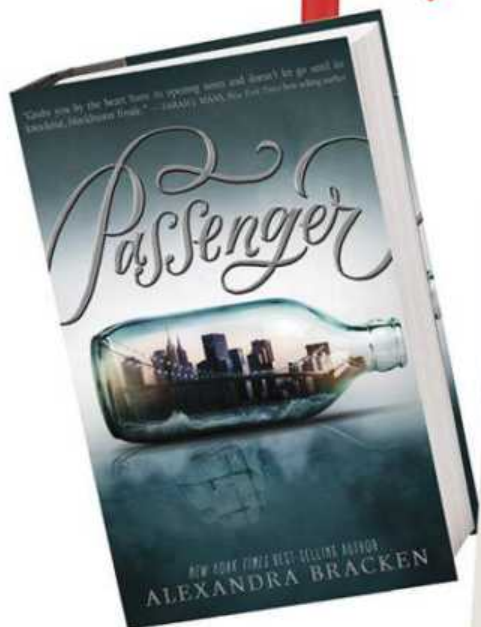
I was so anxious the following Monday. It felt as if I had to change my whole routine just to avoid her—where I sat in math class, my route to the cafeteria, and what I did on Saturday nights. At parties, I'd move to another room when she walked in. I did have other friends—great ones who were there for me as I cried about the breakup. They reassured me I was still a good friend and said this would blow over. But having their support didn't change how much I hurt. My bedroom was decorated wall-to-wall with pictures of my friends, and I began to take down the photos of Liza and me. There were dozens of holes. As the weeks passed, we'd awkwardly say hello as we walked by each other in the hall at school, but that was it. It stung a bit less to see her each time. Little by little, I filled the spots on my bedroom walls with pictures of other people.

Liza and I never did fully make up. To this day, no breakup I've ever had with a boyfriend has hurt as much or affected my life in the same way. In a romantic relationship, you know there's a possibility—and often expect—that it could end. But a friendship? She was supposed to be my best friend forever, not my “best friend until halfway through senior year.”

She eventually wrote me a letter that included everything I'd always wanted to hear—an apology, a chance at reconciliation—but by that time, it was too late. Our relationship had changed. Looking back on the entire experience, maybe we could have gotten our friendship back on track if I'd pushed a makeup earlier. (I'd certainly learned the value of a secret.) Or maybe people are just meant to come in and out of your life. As hard as it was to see her go, I'd never trade the time we had together. ●

**Name has been changed.*

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BELLA THORN

She recently turned 18, she's crushing it in Hollywood—yet she still needs to ask her mom for rides. But no matter how she gets there, this girl is going places.

By AMY SPENCER / **Photographs by** ERIC RAY DAVIDSON / **Styled by** JAMES WORTHINGTON DeMOLET

FINDING HER WAY

"I think when you say you're confident, people think you're never scared," Bella says. "That's not true."

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BELLA THORNE HAS ALWAYS SEEMED A LITTLE OLDER THAN HER AGE. MAYBE IT'S HER DEEP VOICE OR HER MODEL-LONG LEGS (SHE'S FIVE FOOT EIGHT), OR THAT SHE HAS A HOT 23-YEAR-OLD BOYFRIEND, ACTOR GREGG SULKIN. OR MAYBE IT'S THAT IN THE TWO YEARS SINCE HER DISNEY CHANNEL SERIES, *SHAKE IT UP!*, ENDED, SHE'S PUT OUT AN ALBUM, WRITTEN TWO NOVELS, AND MADE A WHOLE BUNCH OF MOVIES. BUT WHEN BELLA OPENS THE DOOR OF HER L.A. HOME (AND SENDS GREGG OFF WITH A KISS), YOU MEET A SIDE OF HER THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT AN 18-YEAR-OLD SHOULD BE: HONEST, HILARIOUS, AND WEARING FUZZY UGG SLIPPERS.

Actually, Bella, the youngest of four kids, still lives with her mom ("She's my best friend"); brother Remy, 19; two cats, Louis and Mae; dogs Hades, a husky, and Kingston, a Maltipoo; and a wolf (yes, wolf), Voodoo. And even though she's legally an adult, she has no plans to move out anytime soon. "I'm really comfortable," she says. "I'm also so lazy, and moving out is a big deal. Plus, I don't like being alone."

The Thornes are a close-knit family who have overcome major challenges over the years. When Bella was 9, her father was killed in a motorcycle accident, and it rocked her world. "At first, you're in a state of shock," she says, admitting, "I didn't cry for a week. During those days, you're still waiting for him to show up at your door." Now, her heartache resurfaces at random times, she says, like when she's talking to Gregg "and knowing my dad will never meet him." She says her father's death partially fueled her drive to succeed because without his income, her family had to go on food stamps to survive—something she's always kept private. "It was really, really hard for us for a long time."

The actress has overcome other challenges as well: dyslexia, friend drama, and being afraid to let her real (and sometimes awkward) self show. "When I was on *Shake It Up!*, I wanted to be what everyone wanted me to be," she explains. "I wanted to be the funny one, the pretty one, the one who dressed right, the one who everybody liked. And I did that." So what happened? "I realized that I was miserable!" Focusing so much on other people's opinions made her self-conscious. "At an event," she recalls, "I was too worried about dancing because people were going to look at me weird. So I was just like, 'No. I'm not going to do it anymore.'"

Since then, her confidence and career have skyrocketed. Over

the summer, Bella won a Teen Choice Award for her portrayal of mean girl Madison Morgan in *The DUFF*. This winter, she appears in *Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Road Chip*, and she's shooting a pilot for a show by *PLL* creator I. Marlene King called *Famous in Love*, about a girl plucked from obscurity to star in a blockbuster movie series. Next year, expect to see the Neutrogena Brand Ambassador in *Midnight Sun* with Patrick Schwarzenegger and the AwesomenessTV-produced movie *Shovel Buddies*. Oh, and her second novel, *Autumn's Kiss*, is out now. When Bella doubts herself, the fact that she's an author reminds her of what she's capable of doing. "I always remember, I wrote a book and I'm dyslexic! It's not even, 'Oh, can I do this?' It's, 'No. I'm going to do it.'" When it comes to auditions, she has a similarly defiant attitude. "If they don't like me," she says, "then I'm going to go in again and I'm going to do it better."

As Bella sits at her dining room table—where she's also getting texts from her mom and occasionally yawning—she opens up even more about getting through ups and downs in life (and love) and her secrets to becoming a kick-ass adult.

This is your third *Seventeen* cover. What's different about you now compared to your first one, the *Prom* issue, in 2012?

I'm not that different. Before, I was still very much growing into myself and following everybody else's opinion. Now I'm a bit more of my own person.

Do you have your driver's license yet?

No, not yet. I don't have my permit either. I have a fear of driving. My father died in a motorcycle accident. I'm not mature enough to accept the responsibility of perhaps taking someone else's life. My mom drives me, Gregg drives me, and I have Uber. My mom was like, "If you get a car, you'll want to drive it." So I got a car, but I'm very content sitting in the

Bella's secrets to staying fit: circuit training and the elliptical machine. "I hate running," she says.

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passenger seat. Because of my fear, I need to really believe in myself and be confident in my driving skills.

You seem to be a confident person in other areas of your life.

Everybody has good and bad days. But I have Gregg and my family, and they always make me feel better. In my daily life, if I put on makeup and heels, then most likely I feel a bit more confident in my appearance. But it just depends.

How about in terms of dating?

In dating, I'd say be confident in your appearance, but don't be overconfident in general. Like, being goofy and funny and spilling your drink at the table—if you're dating the right person, they'll love that about you. Those are the cute things! Anybody who gets mad at

you for spilling a drink on them is not the right person.

Most people would be terrified of that situation happening, but you're saying just let loose!

If you're too guarded, then they can't get the dorky, relatable side of you. If you're on a date, you want the person to see the inside of you as well.

So when you went on your first date with Gregg, did you spill anything on him?

No. We saw *Ex Machina*. We've known each other for a long time. We always knew that we liked each other. On our second date, we went to a comedy club and we laughed the whole time. My laugh is so not cute. It's the ugliest thing about me . . . besides my fat toe.

Based on Instagram, you two do fun things together.

Gregg likes to do fun stuff. I learned from making pottery that he cannot paint! I'm more of a homebody. One of my favorite things to do is watch TV. He's the one pushing for us to go out.

You have a five-year age difference. Do you care?

I don't notice it at all. Sometimes he says I'm more mature than he is, and I think girls mature at a faster rate than guys do. My mom thinks it's appropriate. She's known Gregg for a long time and she knows his family, so she's very supportive of the relationship.

If your family didn't approve of a guy, would you still date him?

No. My mom has to approve. Also, since I don't drive, it's not

like she's going to take me to see him if she doesn't like him. [Laughs.]

What have you learned from past relationships?

A lot. An ex of mine and I knew each other's phone passwords, and he was constantly going through my phone. I learned not to do that because anything can be misread. Gregg has my password, but he doesn't go *through* my phone. The ex and I also had a "Don't talk to the opposite sex" rule, so if a guy I was working with wrote me, it would be a big problem.

You're the youngest of four kids. What have you learned from your siblings?

I used to always watch my two older sisters (Dani, 22, and Kaili, 23) get in trouble if they were going out to parties, and it made me never want to do it. I always tell my mom she got very lucky with me because I could be a party animal and go out all the time, but I stay in. I kill it at card games. I'm the Queen of Crazy Eights.

You won a Teen Choice Award for playing a mean girl. Ever had to deal with one in real life?

I have a mean girl. She's in the business, and she's very, very mean. I stay away from her at all costs. I never say hello to her. Her siblings are not mean like she is. It's just her. One of the reasons I don't like her is because she's been a billionaire since she was very little, and she's never had to work for anything in her life. I did not come from a rich family. When my father died, we were living off of food stamps, basically.

Did people know your family had to do that?

I don't think anybody really knew—it wasn't a very obvious thing. I've never really talked about it. I wasn't hiding it, and it wasn't like, "Oh, I'm embarrassed because we don't have money." It was, "Oh, we don't have money, so we're going to work that much harder." It was scary, though,

BELLA'S FAVORITES



APP "Snapchat"

SELFIE STYLE
"It depends on the lighting. The lighting is the big thing that makes the selfie."

GIFT TO GIVE FRIENDS

"All friends are different, so everybody gets a different gift."



DANCE MOVE "The Dougie"



EMOJI "This guy."

GIFT YOU'VE EVER RECEIVED

"I love joke gifts. Gregg was going to get me a serious gift this year for my birthday, and I was like, 'Baby, also get me something that we joke around about all the time.'"



VEGETABLE "I love me some spinach."



ITEM IN HER CLOSET

"My Stuart Weitzman boots. They're thigh-high and have a tiny heel. I have them in two colors."



PAIR OF CONVERSE "My white leather ones." SNEAKERS Converse Chuck Taylor All Star Leather, \$70, converse.com

SHORTS "High-waisted"



LIP COLOR Neutrogena MoistureSmooth Color Stick in Bright Berry, \$9, drugstores



"I love horror films," says Bella, who stars in the upcoming *Amityville: The Awakening* and *Home Invasion*. "But being in the house alone? I don't like it. I go in my room and lock the door!"

TOP Misha Nonoo, mishanonoo.com. **PANTS** Marc by Marc Jacobs, Marc Jacobs stores. **HAT** Albertus Swanepoel, sanctuaryofstyle.com. **SMALL HOOP EARRINGS** Bella's own. **BOOTS** Frye, thefryecompany.com.

Hair: Chris McMillan at soloartists.com. **Makeup:** Beau Nelson for Neutrogena at The Wall Group. **Manicure:** Melissa (Mjay) DeLaCruz.



because you really wanted those jobs. It's a different hunger when you want your family to eat.

Did you feel pressure to make money?

Yeah, sort of. Luckily, my mom was so supportive of us. She never pushed us in an uncomfortable way.

You started modeling at 6 weeks old. Over the years, did anyone ever tell you to change your body or looks to be a better model?

Not in modeling because I was so skinny growing up. But I eat all the food. I eat cheeseburgers and fries and everything. I do love vegetables, though.

You've looked great on the red carpet lately. Any style lessons you've learned over the years?

I have a stylist, but my mom helps

Who's your core friend group who supports you?

My girls are Bella P., my brother's girlfriend; Olivia, whose mom is best friends with my mom—we've been raised together since we were little; and Alexa, who's been my friend for a while, and we kind of just started hanging out. I realized she was bitchy, and I was like, "Oh, I like you."

Wait, you like bitchy people?

I think everybody has a bitchy side, and once you let your friends see your bitchy side, then it's like you can trust the person. We're not mean to people; we're mean to each other. That's how we show our affection. But we love each other.

Who are you in the group?

I am the funny one in the way that even if it's a really bad situation, I'll

friends no matter where they are in the world. It's a lot about group texting and Snapchats. If anyone writes in the group text, we know that we have to reply. And we always FaceTime each other whenever we get a chance.

Do you have any New Year's resolutions?

I don't do resolutions. There shouldn't be like, "Oh, I need a New Year's resolution because everyone else has one." That goes along with the whole riding the same train as everyone else. I can do it in the middle of the year or the next year or in five years. When I decide to do it.

Anything you want to try to do?

I hope to somehow get over my fear of heights—small heights. It's very weird. I love roller coasters,

“ONCE YOU START LISTENING
TO WHAT OTHER PEOPLE
THINK, THAT CHANGES YOU.”

me with a lot of decision-making. We kind of have the same style, so it's pretty easy. But there will be a time where, you know, the shoes just hurt, and I'm like, "No. I'm sorry, just no." She's like, "But they're so good with the look!" I'm like, "I don't care." I don't want to be uncomfortable because everyone can tell when you are.

This is what we love about you: You do what you want.

Because I like me. I'm pretty comfortable with me. I know that once you start listening to what other people think, that changes you. And you have to constantly be brought back to being yourself. Once I started really working, I was like, "They like me." You have to find people that like you for being you, though.

somehow find a way to make it a joke. I have a very sarcastic, dry attitude. In texts, I'm like, "That's supposed to be funny. It's *funny*." They're like, "It's not funny." I have to send little voice notes so they know I'm kidding.

How's your friendship with Zendaya now?

Zendaya and I don't text as much as I wish we did. But when I saw her at Teen Choice, I was like, "Hey, dude." And she was like, "Dude!" I always know that I can talk smack with Zendaya because she will talk smack with me. *[Laughs.]*

How do you keep friendships going when you're not together all the time?

The best thing about social media is that you can keep up with your

but I'm afraid of being like, 6 to 10 feet off the ground. I can't dance or wear heels on anything tall off the ground. At Teen Choice, I was so afraid I was going to fall off the stage.

You're a determined person. Any advice on how other girls can learn to be that way too?

I believe you're put on this earth to show people you can be outside the box. You don't have to be everything or anything people tell you. You can be more than that. When I was growing up, a lot of people told me that I wouldn't be able to be an actress because I couldn't read and I was the dumb model-slash-pretty girl. I'm determined to prove them wrong every chance I get. ●



#SQUAD GOALS

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When you and your girls all look this good, there will never be bad blood. Channel Taylor Swift and her butt-kicking video clique with these bold beauty trends that will slay at your next party.

by **Marta Topran**
photographs by **Simon Burstall**
styled by **James Worthington DeMolet**

POWER POUTS

Matching oxblood lips will earn you and your crew as many likes as Team Tay. And yes, this color looks amaze on everyone. (All three girls are wearing **Chanel** Rouge Allure Luminous Intense Lip Colour in Rouge Noir, \$36, chanel.com.)

MODEL MOMENTS

(from left)

Name: MJ

Hometown: Wesley Chapel, FL

Instagram: @mjibutterfly

Model Icon: "Karlie Kloss. She isn't just a fashion model but a role model."

Name: Elizabeth Bennett

Hometown: Cranston, RI

Instagram: @elizabethsbennett

Fun Fact:

"I'd rather get a cactus over a bouquet of roses any day."

Name: Farhiya

Hometown: Franeke, Netherlands

Instagram: @missfarhiyashire

Must-Watch TV:

"I'm obsessed with *Scandal*. I wish I was Olivia Pope!"



ON MJ:

DRESS H&M, hm.com.

ON ELIZABETH:

DRESS Marc by Marc Jacobs, marcjacobs.com. **TOP** Misha Nonoo, mishanonoo.com.

EARRINGS Alibi, alibinyc.com.

RING Michelle Campbell, campbelljewelry.com.

ON FARHIYA:

DRESS Misha Nonoo, mishanonoo.com.

BLACK BRACELET Nadia Lee, nadialee.com (similar styles).

PEWTER BRACELET Karen Egren, karenegren.com (similar styles).



GIRLSINK

Flash tats are fun, but wait until you try embellishing your eyes with mini symbol designs (a huge runway trend). Try temporary tattoos (like **Inked by Dani** Black & White Pack, \$10, inkedbydani.com), or freestyle it with black liquid liner. Prep party, invite friends over and take turns applying them on one another. Get creative!



ON ELIZABETH:
SWEATER
Ashish, ssense.com.

ON MJ:
SWEATER
Sonia by Sonia Rykiel, Bloomingdale's.

ON FARHIYA:
COATS AND DRESS
Diane von Furstenberg, dvf.com.



COOL CATS

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We all know two kitties are better than one (*hellooo*, Olivia and Meredith), so double up your feline-inspired look by flicking out your liner on both the top and bottom lashlines. (Try **MAC Cosmetics** Fluidline Pen in Retro Black, \$22, maccosmetics.com.)



BAD TO THE BONE

We've got mad love for this edgy fishbone manicure. Paint nails black (try **Zoya** Nail Polish in Willa, \$9, zoya.com), then draw a skinny curved silver line down nails and small horizontal lines across that. A nail pen makes it easy. (Try **Sally Hansen I ♥ Nail Art Pen** in Silver, \$6, drugstores.)

Hair: Jeff Francis at Utopia using L'Anza. **Makeup:** Eric Polito using Chanel Rouge Coco at Art Department. **Manicure:** Casey Herman at Kate Ryan Inc. for Chanel Le Vernis. **Models:** Farhiya at Marilyn Agency; Elizabeth Bennett at Elite NYC; MJ at IMG.

METAL HEADS



The most glam hair accessory this season might already be in your bathroom! Grab some bobby pins and part your hair in the middle. Then smooth the top of your head with a brush and a spritz of shine-enhancing oil (try **Herbal Essences** Wild Naturals Illuminating Dry Oil Spray, \$6, drugstores), and slide in a row of pins from your ears down on both sides of your head.



ON THE

JUMPSUIT Azeza, azeza.us. **EARRINGS**

Meadowlark, lustcovetdesire.com.

RINGS Annelise

Michelson, annelise-michelson.com.

ON ELIZABETH:

DRESS Michael

Michael Kors, select Michael Kors stores.

ON FARHIYA:

JACKET AND

SHORTS

REDValentino,

redvalentino.com.

EARRINGS

W. Britt, wbritt.com.

folk

Fall in love with the new way to wear the boho look. Bold prints, jeweled details, and fresh silhouettes give the laid-back vibe a touch of glam.

by Heather Viggiani photographs by Kai Z Feng
styled by James Worthington DeMolet



pretty pair

Black-and-white—a combo made in heaven—gives soft, feminine styles an edge.

ON LUCAS:

SHIRT DSquared2,
dsquared2.com.

PANTS ASOS, asos.com.

ON CALLIE:

DRESS Lela Rose,
neimanmarcus.com.

SHIRT Kaelen, kaelennyc
.com. RINGS (middle

finger) Doyle & Doyle,
doyledoyle.com; (ring

finger) Love Adorned
Vintage, loveadorned.com.

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Meet the couple
of the moment:
retro florals and
lots of ruffles.

ON LUCAS:
JACKET AND PANTS
ASOS, asos.com.
SWEATER Topman,
topman.com.

ON CALLIE:
SLEEVELESS DRESS
Just Cavalli, robertocavalli
.com. LONG-SLEEVED
DRESS Topshop Unique,
topshop.com.
RINGS Doyle & Doyle,
doyledoyle.com.



field of dreams

Abstract blooms are the new focus of your fashion fantasies.

TOP Christian Siriano,
christiansiriano.com.

SKIRT Bibhu Mohapatra, bibhu.com. EARRINGS Elizabeth Cole,
elizabethcolejewelry.com.

Beauty Tip

Feel free-spirited with Juicy Couture Viva La Juicy Grande Edition Eau de Parfum (\$135 for 6.7 oz., macys.com), a jumbo version of the amber and wild berry-spiked original.

MODEL MOMENTS

Name: Callie Dixon

Hometown: Merritt Island, FL

Instagram: @callie_dixon

Currently obsessing over:

"Doc Martens, plaid skirts, over-the-knee socks, and dark lipsticks."

Name: Lucas Ucedo

Hometown: Los Angeles, CA

Instagram: @lucas_ucedo

In his IG feed: "I don't follow a lot of brands or bloggers. I really follow only people I know personally."

be dazzled

Glittery
embellishments
will make you
totally starry-eyed.

ON LUCAS:

JACKET Sandro, us.sandro-paris.com. **T-SHIRT** Topman, topman.com. **PANTS** Marc Jacobs, marcjacobs.com.

ON CALLIE:

**EMBROIDERED T-SHIRT
AND SHORTS** Koché, [lkram](http://lkram.com),
call 312-587-1000 to order.
SHIRT Monique Lhuillier,
moniquelhuillier.com.





rad romance

Be flirty or keep it cool?
Delicate black-trimmed lace and
an unexpected tie do both.

ON CALLIE:

SHIRT, NECKTIE, AND SKIRT
RED Valentino, redvalentino.com.
TANK 525 america, 525america.com. EARRINGS Elizabeth Cole,
elizabethcolejewelry.com.
CUFF Valentino Garavani,
valentino.com. RING Doyle &
Doyle, doyledoyle.com.

ON LUCAS:

COAT AND SWEATER Sandro,
us.sandro-paris.com. PANTS
Coach, coach.com (similar styles).

Beauty Tip

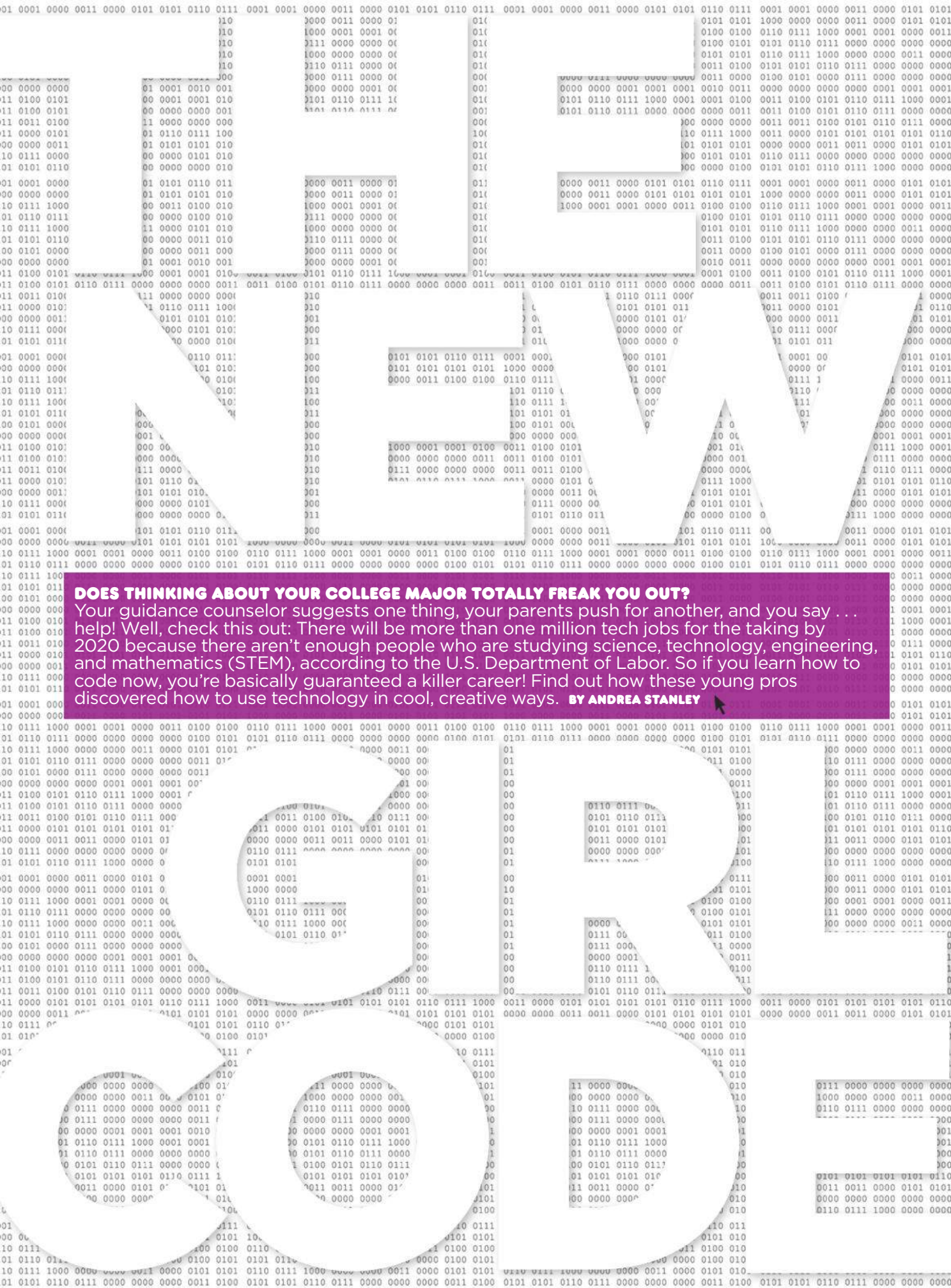
Highlighting powder on cheeks gives you a happy glow. Try Chanel Jours Contraste Lumière Highlighting Blush in Coups de Minuit (\$45, chanel.com).

opposites attract

Interested in matchmaking? Two different prints will have chemistry if one is airy and the other is more condensed.

SHIRT Whit, whit-ny.com.
SKIRT Bebe, bebe.com.

Hair: Nicolas Eldin using Aveda at Art Department.
Makeup: Daniel Martin for Dior Addict. **Manicure:** Bernadette Thompson for The Bernadette Thompson Nail Collection.



DOES THINKING ABOUT YOUR COLLEGE MAJOR TOTALLY FREAK YOU OUT?

Your guidance counselor suggests one thing, your parents push for another, and you say . . . help! Well, check this out: There will be more than one million tech jobs for the taking by 2020 because there aren't enough people who are studying science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), according to the U.S. Department of Labor. So if you learn how to code now, you're basically guaranteed a killer career! Find out how these young pros discovered how to use technology in cool, creative ways. **BY ANDREA STANLEY**



**MADDY
MAXEY**
Age 22

“I Design Cutting-Edge Fashion”

When Maddy gets inspired to make a piece of clothing, she doesn't use a needle and thread to bring it to life—she uses code. Her company, The Crated, creates wearable technology (picture a jacket that can heat up electronically), and this past September, she programmed the lights on an LED dress that was featured in the ZAC Zac Posen fashion show.



Model
Coco Rocha
(alongside
Zac Posen)
lit up the
runway
thanks to
Maddy.

WHAT DOES CODE HAVE TO DO WITH FASHION?

Right now, technology is mostly limited to hard things, like fitness trackers, but imagine if you could have programmable circuits in your clothes—like a cooling shirt so you don't arrive to school all sweaty. My company focuses on wearable technology. I've worked with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) to research possibilities for the next generation of space suits, and also with the School of Visual Arts, where I made remote-controlled garments.

WERE YOU ALWAYS INTERESTED IN THE TECH WORLD?

Actually, I always wanted to go into fashion. I didn't take my first Web-development course until I was 19. At the time, I just wanted to have a Web site built, but it was taking forever, so I decided to learn how to do it myself. That's when I really fell in love with being able to create things and the freedom of not having to rely on anyone else.

WAS IT SCARY TO CHANGE UP YOUR CAREER GOALS?

Growing up in my house, you didn't have limitations on what you could be. My dad was an aerospace engineer—and he also happened to be the person who taught me how to sew. So when I wanted to get into technology, I didn't see it as “Can I really do that?” Instead it was, I'm going to sit down in front of this computer and figure it out—just like my dad would sit in front of a pin cushion with me and figure it out.

TECH TALK

“A lot of people I know who are doing technical things are boys, but a big part of success is accepting oneself in entirety. When I walk into a room and I'm the only girl—and also the only minority—I'm like, ‘I'm important, I belong here, and I'm going to be me.’”

WHAT WAS IT LIKE TO SEE ONE OF YOUR CREATIONS ON THE RUNWAY?

Honestly, I felt really lucky. And it was such a relief that it worked! I spent between 150 to 200 hours of work on that project.

“I Hook Girls Up With Room Inspo”



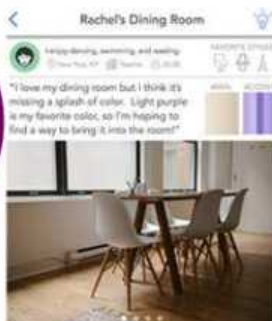
**VANESSA
RONAN**
Age 21

After Vanessa realized she was obsessed with two things—watching home-and-garden television and creating apps—she came up with the ultimate mash-up: Decorator, an app that acts like your own virtual interior designer.

TECH TALK

“Coding doesn't have to be lonely. The best way to make an app is on a team because you can bounce ideas off each other.”

▶ “I can't wait to see people interacting with the app when it launches in November.”



HOW DOES YOUR APP WORK? It allows anyone to get or give advice about home decorating through crowdsourcing. You can upload photos to ask specific design questions, like what kind of rug you should get. It's very visual, so if someone suggests a new paint color, the picture changes so you can preview how that color would look in the room. You can also browse other people's photos and share your design ideas. It's really fun.

WHEN DID YOU KNOW THAT COMPUTERS WERE YOUR THING?

I didn't do coding at all during high school because my school didn't offer it. Then I started college at Harvey Mudd and took an intro to computer science class that everyone has to take, and it was so great. The assignments were things I related to and enjoyed—one of the first programs I created figured out the highest-scoring Scrabble word you could make based on your rack of tiles—so I decided to major in computer science.

WHAT DO YOU LOVE SO MUCH ABOUT CODING? I really enjoy knowing that it's possible for me to make something out of nothing and help other people. And when you're creating apps, you're not just coding—you're designing, too. It's a very cool process.



EBONY OSHUNRINDE
Age 18

“I Make Beats for Artists, Like Jay Z”

The Grammy-nominated music producer, aka Wondagurl, works 12-hour days in a studio, putting sounds together for everyone from Jay Z to Drake—and using technology to do it.

WHAT DOES TECH HAVE TO DO WITH CREATING MUSIC?

When I was 11, I came across a computer program on YouTube that some guy was using to make songs. I downloaded it and started teaching myself how to use it from a tutorial. I use that software to take sounds apart and put them back together in my own way. You're arranging and building things to create one song.

HOW DID THAT TURN INTO JAY Z CALLING YOU?

I made a beat and sent it to a songwriter, and he sent it to Jay Z—and then I got a text that he was going to put me on his album. The first person I told was my mother, but it was my sibling's birthday,

so I didn't want to take away from the day. Even though I wasn't screaming on the outside, I was screaming inside. I was so excited.

WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO GET INTO THE TECHNICAL SIDE OF MUSIC?

My grandma bought me a keyboard when I was a kid, and I took music lessons, but it didn't really work out. But I've always had a love for instrumentals. For me, it was about the beat and layers in music, and that's what I get to work with now.

WHERE DO YOU SEE YOURSELF IN FIVE YEARS?

Doing what I'm doing now—but a lot richer! I'm having fun, so I wouldn't want to change anything. But I would love to work with Kanye West. He's always creating new things and never copying anybody else.



Ebony in a Toronto studio working on her next hit.

TECH TALK

“As girls, we have a tendency to care about what other people think—but don't ever let someone's opinion cause you to doubt yourself.”

“I Found a New Way to Detect Cancer”



BRITTANY WENGER
Age 21

When Brittany was a sophomore in high school, one of her family members was diagnosed with breast cancer. She knew she wanted to help fight the disease and used her interest in STEM to develop Cloud4Cancer, a Web-based application that she hopes will make it quicker and less invasive for doctors to diagnose breast cancer (a project that won Google's Science Fair). Now a junior at Duke University, she's working to get more medical professionals using her system.

WHEN DID YOU LEARN TO CODE? When I was in seventh grade, I took a course about the future of thinking and the area I chose to explore was technologies of the future. I got interested in artificial intelligence and how it has infinite potential. After that, I bought a college textbook on computer programming, started going on online forums, and began teaching myself.

HOW DO YOU EVEN BEGIN TO CREATE A PROGRAM THAT HELPS DIAGNOSE CANCER?

I didn't do a lot of coding for it at first. I spent 10th grade trying to understand medicine—it was about learning and building my knowledge base. I watched online tutorials about different systems in the body. I read lots of articles and would ask my biology teacher lots of random questions.

HOW LONG DID IT TAKE TO GET IT UP AND RUNNING?

I've been working on it for five years. The program actually flopped twice. The first time I tested it, there were more errors than code. But now it's been over 99 percent successful in the trials I've done. Initially it was taking up a couple hours of my day, but now that I'm a college student, I work on it primarily on the weekends.

WHAT INSPIRES YOU TO KEEP HUSTLING AFTER FIVE YEARS OF WORKING ON THIS?

It's actually a fun process because I'm getting to figure out this puzzle. At a certain point in your work, you see that you're actually solving complicated questions—and that's rewarding.

TECH TALK

“Coding is like a superpower because it can be extended to almost any discipline. The opportunities are endless.”



A snapshot of how Brittany's game-changing program looks.

“I Build Theme-Park Rides”

After graduating from college with a mechanical engineering degree, Anisha had one requirement for her career: It had to be exciting. She eventually landed a spot on the engineering team at Universal Orlando Resort in Orlando, Florida, where her first project was working on The Wizarding World of Harry Potter. So yeah, mission accomplished.

HOW DO YOU USE TECHNOLOGY AT YOUR JOB?

I'm in the division of the park that's responsible for designing, engineering, and implementing new attractions and experiences. What I work on can range from overseeing the installation of animated figures to reviewing code to make sure it meets the safety standards for our attractions. For The Wizarding World of Harry Potter, I worked on the Hogsmeade animated figures, Dancing Trolls, and the magic wand interactive experience.

WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT WORKING ON HARRY POTTER?

When Diagon Alley first opened, there was a kid who did a spell with his wand and then ran to his mom,

freaking out to tell her that he was a wizard. Working on something that gives someone that kind of feeling is incredible.

WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO STUDY ENGINEERING?

I've always loved math and science. In second grade, I challenged my teacher to see who

could get the most multiplication problems right in a certain amount of time and I won in front of the whole class. It was an empowering moment to realize it's cool to be good at math.

ANY ADVICE FOR A GIRL WHO WANTS TO TRY CODING BUT DOESN'T FEEL LIKE SUCH A MATH WHIZ?

Coding is surprisingly simpler than most people realize. It's about solving a problem logically. If you can understand how to methodically think through something, that's the foundation of coding.



Anisha was part of the team who worked on the fire-breathing dragon.

TECH TALK

“A technology background shows that you are a problem solver, and I don't know any company in the entire world who wouldn't want to hire someone like that.”

ANISHA VYAS
Age 23



#TECHBOSS

Kai Morton's app idea won the 16-year-old a spot at a tech summit.

“When I was 11, I wanted to be a veterinarian—but I was obsessed with *World of Warcraft*, so my mom [the founder of Black Girls Code] signed me up for a camp where you make video games. After that, I knew I was going to be a coder. At school, I enrolled in programming classes and came up with the concept for an app that keeps girls safe by alerting authorities to their location if they're in danger. I couldn't believe that it won a contest where I got to attend the Dell for Entrepreneurs Women's Summit Youth Track in Berlin. [Editor's note: *Seventeen* helped pick the winner.] As a girl coder, I know what it feels like to be left out in a room full of boys, but I'm never giving up what I love because of my gender. And who knows? Maybe I'll create the next big video game!”

YOUR ROAD TO CODE

CURIOUS IF TECH IS YOUR THING?

If you're a girl who has completed ninth or tenth grade by the summer of 2016, you can apply for the Brown Scholars program, which teaches code in a six-week course at the American Museum of Natural History in New York, NY. For more info, visit amnh.org/bridgeup.

ALSO CHECK OUT:

- **Made with Code**, madewithcode.com
Shares info about coding projects and other STEM resources.
- **Girls Who Code**, girlswhocode.com
Offers computer science clubs.
- **Black Girls Code**, blackgirlscode.com
Hosts workshops across the country.



BINGE

-A-PALOOZA

What better way to spend a night
(or a weekend . . . or your whole
winter break . . .) than streaming
some totally addictive TV? Pick one
of these awesome '90s shows, grab
some friends, and make it a party!

Photo Illustrations by **Gluekit**



My So-Called Life

This groundbreaking drama (it had the first openly gay teen character) truly gets what it's like to be a high school girl.

Where to watch it: Hulu, XFINITY On Demand

Number of episodes: 19

Stars you'll know: Claire Danes (at 15!), Jared Leto

Why you'll love it: Angela Chase is kind of awkward, a bit angsty, and trying to figure out life—the ups and downs of friendships, the torment of having a crush, and everything about dealing with her parents. And if she's not relatable enough, her besties, Rickie, Rayanne, Sharon, and Brian, struggle with their own issues, including sexuality and addiction. And then

there's Jordan Catalano. His relationship with Angela is *everything*.

Look out for: *The Big Bang Theory*'s Kaley Cuoco as a young Angela. Plus, Jared's older brother, Shannon, who drums in Jordan's band.

You'll cheer when: Rickie cuts loose at the World Happiness Dance in episode 11. (You'll want to steal his moves.)

You'll cry when: Angela and Sharon reconcile in the wake of a family crisis. Also, the last few minutes of the last episode.

—Joey Bartolomeo

YOUR PARTY PLAN

1. Nail the Vibe
Play music by Jared Leto's band, **Thirty Seconds to Mars**—the closest you'll come to *Jordan's* group, Frozen Embryos.

2. On the Menu
Takeout Chinese, right from the containers (how it's done at Rayanne's house), and **red punch**—the color has a lot of significance.

3. Dress Code
Slip on grunge-tastic **Doc Martens** or swipe on black eyeliner like Rickie's (try L'Oréal Paris Voluminous Superstar Liner, \$10, drugstores).



BOOTS
Dr. Martens, \$140, drmartens.com/us



Freaks and Geeks

The Judd Apatow-produced comedy is like MTV's *Awkward*, set to an epic rock-and-roll soundtrack.

Where to watch it: Netflix

Number of episodes: 18

Stars you'll know: James Franco, Seth Rogen, and Jason Segel before they became mega-famous.

Why you'll love it: Because William McKinley High in 1980 is every high school ever, and 16-year-old Lindsay Weir (Linda Cardellini) is all of us in her struggle to find her squad. Should she stick with the Mathletes or ditch class with the freaks (led by the James-Seth-Jason trifecta)? You can guess how that plays out. The show is totally funny and never preachy, even

as it tackles topics such as drugs and well-meaning but embarrassing parents. And the fact that so many of the stars have become big deals in Hollywood shows you it's the freaks and geeks who really do win at life.

Look out for: Shia LaBeouf as the school mascot, Rashida Jones as a big bully, and Lizzy Caplan as a disco queen.

You'll cheer when: Lindsay finally gets *that* kiss.

You'll cry when: You figure out why mean girl Kim is like that.

—Katie Connor

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YOUR PARTY PLAN

1. Nail the Vibe

Hang a **black-light poster** (try spencersonline.com—and don't forget the light itself) for a chill vibe.

2. On the Menu

Flashback to the '80s with **retro-looking soda** (sodapoponline.com). And what says school cafeteria better than Tater Tots?

3. Dress Code

Steal Lindsay's signature look with an **army jacket** and lazy-girl hair (try Psssst! Instant Dry Shampoo, \$7, Walmart stores).





Once upon a time, a set of gorgeous sisters with magical powers saved the world—a lot.

Number of episodes: 178!
(There's a major casting change in season four.)

Why you'll love it: You know that feeling when you don't completely understand your own body, but you're pretty sure that you're capable of bigger things than anyone imagines? That's what the Halliwell sisters, Piper, Phoebe, Prue, and later Paige, have to contend with when they find out they're witches with amazing abilities. The one thing they can count on as they

Look out for: *The Big Bang Theory*'s Kaley Cuoco (her again!) as the sisters' protégée witch in the show's final season.

You'll cry when: They realize you can't win every battle—but that doesn't mean you stop fighting, or caring.



1. Nail the Vibe

You can't have a legit witchy get-together without **a cat.** (Bust out a stuffed animal if you must.) Keep a **Quill** on hand for a late-night séance.

2. On the Menu

Potions, of course. Set out little bottles filled with colorful juices so friends can mix different flavors into glasses of **seltzer**.

3. Dress Code

Go for the very '90s combo of a **choker** and **bloodred lipstick** (try Revlon Ultra HD Matte Lipcolor in Passion, \$9, revlon.com).



**YOUR
CHEAT SHEET
TO...**

sweet HOLIDAY GIFTS

Four of our fave bakers share Insta-worthy—and of course delish!—treats that will wow everyone on your nice list. **by CHLOE CHASE**

Cookie Dough Peppermint Bark

Makes: 20 pieces

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

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| Canola-oil spray | 6 Oreos, crushed |
| Parchment paper | 6 oz. white melting chocolate |
| 18 oz. dark melting chocolate (separated into 6 and 12 oz.) | 1 cup peppermint candy, crushed |
| 1 16½ oz. no-egg sugar-cookie dough (available at most grocery stores or make your own) | |

DIRECTIONS:

1. Spray a 9" x 13" baking pan with canola oil. Then line with parchment paper so the bottom and sides are totally covered.
2. In a glass bowl, melt 12 oz. dark chocolate in the microwave for 30 seconds. Stir; repeat until chocolate is completely melted.
3. Pour melted chocolate into the pan, and smooth out with a spatula. Put pan in the fridge to let chocolate harden—about 5 minutes.
4. In the meantime, mix cookie dough and crushed Oreos together in a bowl until well combined. Then crumble the mixture over the hardened chocolate, and gently push it down so it's flat.
5. Melt the white chocolate and the remaining 6 oz. dark chocolate in separate glass bowls for 30 seconds. Stir; repeat until completely melted. Pour both melted chocolates on top of the cookie dough until it's covered. Swirl with a toothpick.
6. Sprinkle crushed peppermint candies over the melted chocolate, and place pan in fridge until chocolate hardens—about 5 minutes. Once firm, grab the edges of the parchment paper and lift the bark out of the pan. Place on a cutting board, and with a knife, carefully chop into roughly shaped pieces.



Meet the Baker!
Name: Lauren Lowstan
Instagram: @laurenlowstan
Fun Fact: "I taught myself to cook by watching The Food Network."



Meet the Baker!
Name: Lainey Liz

YouTube:
SimplyBakings

Fun Fact:
"After filming, I give my sister the leftovers!"

Snowman Cupcakes

Makes: 24 cupcakes

WHAT YOU'LL NEED: DIRECTIONS:

- 1 18½-oz. box yellow cupcake mix (or your fave recipe)
- 24 white cupcake liners
- 1 32-oz. tub buttercream frosting
- ½ cup semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 cup mini chocolate chips
- 4 orange Starburst candies at room temperature

1. Prepare cake mix as directed on package (or whip up your own). Line two cupcake tins with 24 liners. Divide batter evenly, filling liners about $\frac{2}{3}$ of the way full. Bake as directed on box; let cupcakes fully cool.
2. Plop 2 tbsp. buttercream frosting onto each cupcake, and smooth with a butter knife.
3. Place two semisweet chocolate chips upside down in the frosting for eyes. Fill a small sandwich bag with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup frosting, making sure the icing fills the corner of the bag. Cut a tiny hole in the corner and squeeze two white dots on top of each chip.
4. Then place five mini chocolate chips upside down in a semicircle to form a smile.
5. For the nose, pinch off a pea-size amount of Starburst, shape into a triangle, and place on cupcake between the eyes and smile.

Meet the Baker!
Name: Rachel Fong

YouTube:
kawaiisweetworld
Fun Fact: "I've been baking since I was 7 years old."



Snowflake Sugar Cookies

Makes: 24 cookies

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- 1 16½-oz. roll store-bought refrigerated sugar-cookie dough (or your fave recipe)
- 1 4¼-oz. tube blue gel icing
- 1 7-oz. pouch white cookie icing
- Assortment of your fave sprinkles
- Parchment paper
- Snowflake-shaped cookie cutter (available at Bed Bath & Beyond)

DIRECTIONS:

1. Chill cookie dough in the freezer for one hour. (It will be easier to work with!)
2. After dough has chilled, preheat oven to temperature listed on the package. Lay down parchment paper on a flat surface, and on top of it, roll out dough so it's $\frac{3}{4}$ - to $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch thick.
3. Use cookie cutter to press 24 snowflake shapes into the dough. Place cookies one inch apart on two baking sheets. Bake according to package instructions.
4. After cookies have completely cooled, gently remove them using a spatula—and have fun decorating!



Meet the Baker!
Name: Amirah Kassem
Instagram:
@flourshop
Fun Fact: "Hot chocolate is my fave winter drink!"

Hot Cocoa Ornaments

Makes: 1 gift. (Repeat to make as many as you'd like!)

WHAT YOU'LL NEED:

- 1 clear plastic ornament (available at Michaels stores)
- Fave hot-cocoa mix
- 1½ tbsp. assorted sprinkles
- 10 miniature marshmallows
- Small funnel

DIRECTIONS:

1. Take cap off ornament, wash inside, and let dry. Use funnel to pour in two servings of cocoa. (Amount will depend on the brand.)
2. Add in sprinkles (you can also swap sprinkles for chocolate chips or peppermint candy), then marshmallows.
3. Seal—and share!

TEEN



SLICK MOVE

"My friends and I get so excited about the first big blizzard of the season. It means we get a snow day, and we always use it to go sledding. Our town has one big hill, and everyone uses it. One time, we got there and it was already really busy, which meant the hill was crazy icy. I jumped on a sled and hit a slippery patch—it was impossible to stop. I tried to signal to a group at the bottom to move out of the way, but it was too late. I crashed into a bunch of guys and knocked them over! Luckily, it was nothing a little hot cocoa couldn't fix."

Oh. My. Awkward.

RAMA

Reindeer Pains

"Last Christmas, I woke up to discover the worst gift: a huge zit on my nose. My skin is usually pretty clear, so it was super-noticeable. Instead of ignoring it, my family called me Rudolph. Even worse, the zit stayed there for weeks! That whole holiday season became known as The Christmas of the Pimple."

FIRE HAZARD

"My favorite Hanukkah tradition is lighting the candles. I was doing it on the sixth night and accidentally knocked over the menorah, which set a stack of napkins on fire. In a rush to put it out, I smothered the flames with my grandma's favorite jacket. I felt awful. This year, I'll stick to eating latkes!"



Special Delivery

"My friends and I baked cookies for the volunteer fire department. When we delivered them, the only guys there were upperclass hotties from our high school. We had a five-alarm freakout. One friend shouted, 'We made you cookies!' and then we dropped them and ran."



HO, HO, NO...

"I decided to invite a girl over on Christmas Eve. My family opens presents that night, and it turned out that my aunt thought it would be a great idea to give each person in the family a pair of red underwear with jingle bells attached to them. So embarrassing. My face and the girl's were as red as the underwear! She handled it well but gave me such a hard time about it afterward. Needless to say, the relationship never went anywhere :(. "

—CHARLIE PUTH

CELEB TRAUMA!



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HOROSCOPES

By Sally Brompton

Aquarius

Jan 20–Feb 18

December: When Mars links up with your ruler, Uranus, on the 11th, you'll score major props for all the hard work you've done on a project. Soak up the likes. You deserve 'em!

January: As the sun enters your sign on the 20th, you'll set a clear vision for exactly what you want to achieve in 2016. Get it, Aqua girl!

Pisces

Feb 19–Mar 20

December: Your BFF will need support as Uranus shakes things up on the 26th. When the crisis passes, she'll see how lucky she is to have you in her corner and thank you. *Big-time.*

January: As Mercury turns retrograde on the 5th, stuff on social may get ugly. If you were considering taking an online time-out, that's *so* the day!

Aries

Mar 21–Apr 19

December: The sun's link to aggressive Mars on the 6th may bring out your inner crazy. If you warn your squad beforehand, they'll be less likely to take it personally!

January: You'll be tempted to reveal a secret on the 9th when Venus links with Saturn. Hold up a sec, Aries! Anyone you tell then will totally spill it.

Taurus

Apr 20–May 20

December: Lots of heart eyes coming up! With Venus in your romance area from the 5th, potential baes will vie for your attention. *Your* challenge? Deciding who you really like!

January: If a friend wants to confide in you on the 5th, delay the convo: The stars will make you mega-judgy, which could lead to hurt feelings!

Gemini

May 21–Jun 20

December: On the 14th, the planets will nudge you to start an epic purge of your closet. Do it! Donating all those clothes to charity will get you in the giving spirit!

January: Waiting for your crush to ask you out? You could wait forever. But if *you* extend an invite, the answer will be yes! The stars favor the 13th.

Cancer

Jun 21–Jul 22

December: Near the full moon on the 25th, you'll hear from an ex out of the blue. The timing may be better for you two now; just take it slow to see if that's what you truly want.

January: Whoa, you've accomplished so much lately! You'll get to reward yourself in an amazing way on the 10th when the moon is new. Enjoy!

Leo

Jul 23–Aug 22

December: You'll be in the zone fashion-wise when the sun links with Uranus on the 9th. Your #OOTD could kick off a sizzling new trend!

January: After a setback on the 6th, you'll need to get out of your own head. Luckily, the sun and Pluto will offer you a chance to make a pal's day, giving *you* the happy feels too!

Virgo

Aug 23–Sep 22

December: Thanks to Jupiter and Venus, you'll bump into someone new (and *adorable*) on the 24th. This looks like a promising love connection!

January: Under severe astro pressure on the 7th, your BFF will go into meltdown mode. Be there for her and this storm will settle down fast. Then you can return to having fun!

Libra

Sep 23–Oct 22

December: You won't be short of admirers when the moon is new on the 11th—but don't commit yourself to anyone just yet! The universe says to stay single . . . for now.

January: Need extra cash? Time to sell some things you haven't used for ages. With the help of the planets on the 24th, you could make a ton!

Scorpio

Oct 23–Nov 21

December: You'll have a huge urge to contact an old love on the 19th. That's the regressive influence of Mercury and Pluto—ignore it. You *know* that breakup was for the best!

January: On the 24th, you'll be poised to share shocking news online. Thankfully, your squad will make you think twice before you actually post!

Sagittarius

Nov 22–Dec 21

December: On the 6th, Mars will put everyone's eyes on you. You love the spotlight (just admit it, Sag), so how will you take advantage of it this time?

January: The holiday season was super-hectic for everybody, but all your girls will finally be free on the *same* day. GNO on the 13th! Rock it.

Capricorn

Dec 22–Jan 19

December: You have been craving a makeover, and when Mercury shifts on the 10th, it will be the perfect moment to snag one. No matter how cold the temp, you'll look H-O-T!

January: You and a cutie have been dancing around your feelings for long enough. On the 23rd, Venus in your sign means the relationship is *on*.

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JESSICA ALBA

The actress and cofounder of **The Honest Company** believes in the power of being fearless.

A kid, I never felt like I fit in. I didn't know how to talk to people; I was sort of awkward and super-serious. My family moved around a lot, and I had multiple illnesses and long stints in hospitals until I was 12, so I never really had many friends at school. One group would accept me and then decide I wasn't part of the group anymore, and I'd have to find new friends. Kids were mean. Once, my shoe got caught in my desk, I fell, and the desk came with me. The whole class laughed—and the teacher caught it on video. For a couple of years, I cried every day, and I prayed to whatever gods were out there that life would get better.

I really found my place when I started acting. I got my first job when I was 12, in the movie *Camp Nowhere*. I was cast as “Kissing Girl #2,” but then they gave me the name Gail and I got three lines. Actors and people in entertainment are like circus people—we're strange and creative, and we celebrate being different. For the first time, I felt like I'd found my kindred spirits. I found confidence in my quirkiness. Because I had to go to auditions, meet people, and do interviews, I also learned how to be friendlier

and more accessible. And as it turned out, the terrible things I went through at school made me more resilient and prepared me to be in a business that is full of rejection and failure. I wouldn't have thrived in this career if I hadn't dealt with so much of that when I was a kid.

To paraphrase Drake, when you start from the bottom, you have nowhere to go but up. If you have nothing to lose, you can be fearless and try new stuff. Do things that you're afraid of. Trust your gut. Own your weirdness. Learn as much as you possibly can. Explore enough to get passionate about something and then start pursuing it. When I was a teen, if there was an opening at a fast-food restaurant or the mall, you would work there because you had no way to find other options. But now because of the Web, you have access to all different companies and internships—we even have them at The Honest Company. In the meantime, remember that the cruel kids won't always be in your life. Also, don't worry too much about boys. I did, and it made me crazy. Focus on you, on figuring out who you are and what you really want, and on the endless possibilities your future holds.

“Find girlfriends who make you feel good and celebrate you,” says Jessica.



“I was a weird teenager,” says Jessica (age 16), posing with the curtains from her canopy bed.

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